

**This Little Light: This Present Moment**  
Jeff McMillon

Matthew 23:2-4, 15, 37

**How Can I Share the Best Thing That Ever Happend to Me?**

1. Be \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Be a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Have the \_\_\_\_\_.



**QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AT HOME OR IN OGROUP**

1. Take a moment to reflect on the thoughts and emotions surrounding the time in your life when you decided to follow Jesus. Who was there? Who helped lead you to Christ? What else do you remember?
2. What are some of the passages in the Bible that draw you deeply toward the Lord? What is it about those words in particular that stir your affections for Him?
3. Can you envision yourself building new friendships with people that don't necessarily consider themselves to be Christ-followers? How could we as a church become better at befriending those outside of church?
4. When you imagine church as representatives of Jesus with a chance to speak hope into the loneliness and desperation of this present age, what do you envision?
5. Do you have any experience with loneliness in your own life. Consider sharing with your group a personal thought or feeling about loneliness, and trust that your vulnerability with the group will help strengthen true bonds with them.

Please come back at 5:00 this evening. **Tony Tate** will lead worship, and **James Bailey** will continue our *Message in the Music* lesson series.

**FAMILY UPDATES**

The monthly Prayer List is available at Information Central and on the Greeters' Stations.

**Prayer Request:**  
**Jackie McBroom** is recovering from a hip fracture and surgery.

**New Open Carry Policy**

As you probably know, Oklahoma laws regarding the open carry of weapons have recently changed. Having consulted with experts in the legal, law enforcement, and security fields, our elders have decided to prohibit open carry on our property. You will notice that we have posted signage to this effect at each of our entrances. Thank you for honoring this policy.



Mark your calendars for these upcoming events. Be in prayer for whom you should invite!

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Tuesday, Dec. 24**  
**Facing Doubt: A Conversation with Lee Strobel, Saturday, Feb. 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

*Exact details are pending. Stay tuned for more info.*

**Other News:**

Hope Harbor is looking for Relief House Parents for our Claremore Campus. Relief parents will live in our newest cottage for one or two weeks each month (14 weeks total per year) care for up to six residents. We provide the training and 24/7 support. This is a paid position. Please call Dr. Bob Whiddon Jr. at 918-343-0003 for more details.



**Celebrate Recovery**  
A PLACE OF HOPE FOR EVERY HURT, HABIT, AND HANG-UP

Recovery is not about where I end up, but who I become as a result of the journey.

Recovery is not what steps I take, but how I take them.

It is not a destination, but a process.

It is not following a list of DOs and DON'Ts, but a way of living.

Recovery is living, not just surviving.

Recovery is hope in action.

It is a choice. It is a mindset. It is a lifestyle.

Start your road to recovery and join us on Friday night. Change is possible!

**CR MEETS EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT FROM 6-9 | MRCC.ORG/CR**

**MRCC to Begin Oversight of New Zealand Mission Effort**

Beginning in 2020, MRCC will become the overseeing congregation for **Justin and Jennifer Cherry**, missionaries at the Discover Church of Christ in Auckland, New Zealand. Justin and Jennifer (along with two other couples) planted the Discover congregation there in 2008, and they continue to serve and reach out to the local community.



Justin is originally from Tulsa, and Jennifer, daughter of **Nancy Lutes**, grew up in Oklahoma City. They met while spending a semester studying abroad in Australia with Harding University. It was this trip that inspired them to become church planters. Their daughter, **Rylee**, was born in the States and their sons, **Gavin** and **Zane**, were both born in New Zealand. The family loves the outdoors, movies, and spending time with friends. They are an active part of the Auckland community and the local schools.

Justin has a background in accounting and finance, and attended a school for church planters in Lubbock, Texas. He is currently working on a Master's Degree in Cross-Cultural Leadership from Fuller University. Jennifer's background is fashion merchandising and marketing. Justin is also a certified coach, focusing on healthy business practices and leadership development; consultant to new church plants and existing churches; and frequently holds workshops for better disciple-making practices. They love finding and creating new ways of being the Church.

Today in our worship services, Justin will lead our thoughts and prayers over the Lord's Supper, and the MRCC elders will issue a charge and blessing over the Cherry family and their work in Auckland.

**-Randy Patton**

**Pray for Open Doors**

In Colossians, Paul urges his readers to "pray that God may open a door" (4:3). This fall we are committed to make Paul's prayer our prayer. In each of our adult Bible classrooms, we have a poster at the front of the room to record these prayers. We encourage you to write down the name of a person, opportunity, or situation for which we can ask God to open a door.

**-Phil Brookman**



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SHARING GOD'S LOVE TO TRANSFORM PEOPLE INTO FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST

MINISTRY UPDATES

If you'd like to learn more about all of MRCC's ministries and the various ways you can serve in them, please pick up a copy of "Ministry Opportunities" at Ministry Central in the main lobby.

Care & Counseling

**Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group** usually meets the first Tuesday evening of each month. However, next month, they will meet Monday, Dec. 2, instead. The meeting time and place remain the same: 6:30 p.m. in A119.

Children's Ministry

**Journey Land** still needs TWO Journeymen for the winter quarter (Dec. 1 - Feb. 26). Contact [Delise.Williams@mrcc.org](mailto:Delise.Williams@mrcc.org) if you can fill one of these positions: 1st Grade Brown needs 1 person for Wednesday evenings; 3rd Grade Brown needs 1 person for Sunday mornings.

**Christmas Caroling:** All 3rd-6th graders are invited to join **Tammy McKeever** for Christmas caroling. Practices will be Dec. 1, 8, and 15, 3:30-4:45 p.m. in Journey Land. The caroling trip is Sunday afternoon, Dec. 22. Children should attend at least two practices if they would like to participate.

**Creation Station** will not meet today. Please join us next time!

Holiday Cheer for MRCC Single Parent Families

The Generations Bible class invites all MRCC single parents and your children to be our guests for lunch Sunday, Dec. 8, in Fellowship Central after 10:45 a.m. worship. Single parents, **please RSVP** to [Jenny.Jones@mrcc.org](mailto:Jenny.Jones@mrcc.org) with how many from your family will attend this lunch. We look forward to visiting and sharing holiday cheer together!

LTC Teaching Challenge

The MRCC Preschool Ministry would love to help LTC participants earn a gold in the 2020 LTC teaching challenge! There are opportunities for both older and younger students. Please contact **Stephanie Langley** at [mrcc.org](mailto:mrcc.org) for more info.

Men's & Women's Ministries

Men and women who enjoy singing are invited to bless our veterans with Christmas caroling on Thursday, Dec. 12, at the VA Hospital in OKC (921 NE 13th). We will meet at MRCC at 9 a.m. and return by noon. This event is limited to 30 singers. Sign up at Ministry Central or with **Robin Waugh** at [robindeawaugh@hotmail.com](mailto:robindeawaugh@hotmail.com) or 405-627-7432.

Youth & Family Ministry

**No Hangout or Dinner** Wednesday, Nov. 27. All classes meet in auditorium at 7 p.m.  
**Honduras 2020 Mission Trip:** June 1-8 for 11-12 grade students. \$100 deposit due NOW. Register and pay online.  
**Winterfest:** Jan. 17-19 for 9-12 grade students. Cost \$150.  
**Lock-In:** Dec. 29, 9:45. Cost \$40 for 7-12 grade students. Register online by Dec. 27.

According to research, an important early step for most people who come to know Jesus was an invitation from a family member or friend. This icon indicates an event is guest-friendly. Your invitation could be someone's first step toward Jesus!

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

**24** Outreach Day at Johnnie's  
 International Thanksgiving Dinner, 6 p.m., Gym  
**27** Offices Close at Noon  
 All-Church Thanksgiving Service, 7 p.m., Auditorium  
**28** Thanksgiving Day In The City  
**28-30** Buildings Closed

December

**1** Heartbeat for Hope Day at Johnnie's  
**2** Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group, 6:30 p.m., A119

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Men's Iron Coffee & Lunch, 6:30 a.m. and 12 noon, Various Locations  
**7** Polar Express Movie Night, 7 p.m., Summit Building  
**8** Brother's Keeper Group Meetings  
 World Bible School Day at Johnnie's  
 International Worship, 11 a.m., A105/6  
 International Potluck, 12 p.m., Gym  
 Generations Class & Single Parent Families Lunch, 12 p.m., F.C.  
 Adoption Shower for Tim & Amanda Blair, 1 - 2:30 p.m., Parlor  
 Threads of Compassion, 2-5 p.m., A123  
**9** NEST for Widows, 7 p.m., A105/6



A TIME FOR OUR GUESTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND TAKE THE NEXT STEPS AT MRCC EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT 9:35 IN THE PARLOR (ROOM A114)



**Elders Available:** Steve Brookman and Bob Carpenter will be available in the Conference Room for consultation following 5 p.m. worship.

Worship at Teal Creek

November 24 | 2 p.m.

Young Professionals - Aaron Sechrest

December 1 | 2 p.m.

Edmond Church of Christ

Worship at Tealridge Independent Living

November 24 | 2 p.m.

Edmond Church of Christ

December 1 | 2 p.m.

Launch - Jeff McKnight

**Worship at Tealridge Assisted Living**, led in part by **Jay Mack** and the Campus Ministry, is at 4 p.m. every Sunday. Contact [Bill.Luttrell@oc.edu](mailto:Bill.Luttrell@oc.edu) to get involved.

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MEETING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Worship ..... 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.  
 Bible Class ..... 9:35 a.m.  
 First Cup ..... 9:35 a.m.  
 a time for guests to learn about MRCC

Evening Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Capitol Hill ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 2801 S. Robinson Ave, OKC, OK, 73109  
 QGroups ..... various times  
 visit [mrcc.org/QGroups](http://mrcc.org/QGroups) to learn more

WEDNESDAY

Early Bird Bible Class ..... 5:15 p.m.  
 Bible Class | all ages ..... 7:00 p.m.

Baptisms in 2019 ..... 119

Sunday, November 17

Bible Class ..... 1728  
 A.M. Worship ..... 2133  
 P.M. Worship ..... 367  
 QGroups ..... 404  
 MRCC Capitol Hill Volunteers...n/a  
**P.M. Total ..... 771**

Wednesday, November 20

Bible Class ..... 1234

Weekly Budget ..... \$106,764  
 Avg Weekly Offering ..... \$102,529  
 YTD Budget Deficit ..... \$194,813

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HOLIDAY GIVING & SERVICE PROJECTS



INTERNATIONAL THANKSGIVING DINNER

**TONIGHT** at 6 p.m. Cost is \$10/member, guests are free.  
 Ways you can help: Invite a guest, come early to help set up, host a table, stay after to clean up.



THANKSGIVING DAY IN THE CITY

We need pies! We need people to deliver meals!  
 Please sign up by TODAY at [mrcc.org/thanksgiving](http://mrcc.org/thanksgiving) or on the MRCC App.



CHRISTMAS GIFT PROJECTS

Serving Capitol Hill, Luther, and MRCC families  
 Return items to the church office by **next Sunday**  
 Capitol Hill questions? Hope Judd - [hope.capitolhill@gmail.com](mailto:hope.capitolhill@gmail.com)  
 Luther questions? [Andrea.Davis@eagles.oc.edu](mailto:Andrea.Davis@eagles.oc.edu)  
 MRCC questions? [Jenny.Jones@mrcc.org](mailto:Jenny.Jones@mrcc.org)



MABEL BASSETT CARE PACKAGE FUNDS

Give money to **JoAnne North** or **Jerry Way** by December 1

Girls' Retreat Recap

One of my favorite weekends of the year is the annual youth girls' retreat! The weekend is open to girls from 7th through 12th grades and their moms, and this year we took a total of 87 girls! The design for the girls' retreat is for it to be a relaxing time away from the many demands of life—school, homework, extra-curricular activities, relationships, and everything else that comes along with being a teenager in today's world—it's a time for just the girls to hang out! This year we traveled to Waco, TX, to visit the Magnolia Market and Silos. We ate, shopped, and enjoyed the beautiful fall weather on the lawn (we also brought some good luck to the Sooners). We drove back to Dallas for a night in a hotel and my favorite part of the whole weekend, our all-girl devotional on Sunday morning. Two of our moms, **Shannon Phelps** and **Holly Arter**, brought us a message about being worthy and empowered us to lift each other up daily. It was a very encouraging weekend, and I'm already looking forward to next year!

-Logan Mayes

Financial Peace University

Could you handle a \$1000 emergency right now? Do you know the types of insurance you need and which ones you don't? Are you sure you're investing correctly for retirement? If personal finance sounds complicated, don't worry—all you need is a plan. We will meet every Wednesday evening for 8 weeks starting Jan. 8 (7 p.m. in rooms A115-116). We'll discuss many facets of personal finance, educating you in no time. Sign up today at [mrcc.org/fpu](http://mrcc.org/fpu) and make this year your year. Limited scholarships are available. Questions? Email **Eric Noland** at [eric.noland@me.com](mailto:eric.noland@me.com).

Join us for our all-church Thanksgiving devotional Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium. **Chris Clark** will share thoughts during this special time of worship. There will be no other classes or activities that evening.