A Child at Home with God

Where did Jesus feel most at home? Luke 2:39-51.

- What can be done to help our children find their spiritual identity?
 - a. They dedicated their child to the Lord.
 - i. Luke 2:22-24.
 - ii. Our children need to know that they belong to the Lord.
 - iii. My prayer for our children, "Mighty in the kingdom."
 - b. They modeled devotion.
 - i. Throughout this chapter, we see them as devout believers in God.
 - ii. Duet. 11:18-21.
 - c. They were ready to hurt.
 - i. Luke 2:34-35.
 - ii. Is this just unique to Mary?
- The adolescent years of Jesus.
 - a. Where did Luke get this story?
 - b. There must have been a reason for Luke to share this story with his audience.
 - i. Jesus reveals a clear understanding of his identity.
 - ii. Jesus demonstrates his unique relationship with God.
 - iii. Jesus also demonstrates his calling to be about his father's business.
 - Don't we want our children to understand their identity?
 - i. John 1:12-13.
 - ii. I wanted my son to know that he belongs to God!

Do we have some Anna's in the congregation? Luke 2:36-38.

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Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.) Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)**Worship** (10:00 a.m.)

Life Groups (Various Locations) Tim Dunnahoo - Lee Rogers Doug Austin **Elders**:

Elder Chairman of the Month: Kent Taylor - David West David West





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Song Leader: Kent Taylor

Opening Song: 638 – Blest Be the Tie That Binds (vs. 1 & 2)

Welcome: Doug Austin

Songs: 566 – I'll Be a Friend to Jesus (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

586 – More about Jesus (vs. 1 & 3)

417 – Walking in Sunlight

294 - Wonderful

Communion Song: 317 – Tell Me the Story of Jesus (vs. 1 & 3)

Communion Offering: Robert Austin

Dismissal for Kid's Church

Song: 782 – How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts Sermon: Doug Austin: "A Child at Home with God"

Invitation Song: 570 – I Have Decided to Follow Jesus (vs. 1, 5 & 6)

Closing Song: 876 – There Is Power in the Blood (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Wynn Anderson

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

Minor Prophets - Jon Young (Rm. 16)

The Church – Jesse McCarty (Rm. 13)

Parenting through Philippians – Doug Austin (Couch Room) Hebrews (Spanish Class) - Oscar Hernandez (Rm. 15)

Revelation (Sun/Weds Evening Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 4th - 6th grade - JL Bible Room JL 1st - 3rd grade - JL History Room

4's, 5's & Kinder – Amy Joy & Gloria Matta (Rm. 12)

2's & 3's - Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

Life Group meeting times & locations:

Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in room 16 Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room

Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland Rd.



Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you're worshipping with us today. We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

Prayer Requests

Please pray over our children as they go to school each day.
 Protect them from harm and keep them safe from danger.
 Guide their steps and help them to make wise choices.

Continue in Prayer

Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Cheryl Ringheimer, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Doris Rodriguez, Janice Bennett, Ronnie Merritt, Bobbie Doyle, Barry Carter, Geneva Jimenez, Mary Stephens, Rita Hughes

From the mailbag...

Dearest brothers and sisters,

Words cannot express my love and appreciation for you. This past year has been so much easier because of you. Each of your cards, words of encouragement, and acknowledgement of including me in your prayers have been uplifting and comforting. You are the best anyone could ask for in times of difficulty. I recently had several imaging procedures, and none showed signs of additional cancer. I can't help believing your prayers made a difference.

Barry and Bonnie Carter

A Blessing for Our Educators:

As a new school year begins, we lift up our teachers, administrators, aides, and all school staff in prayer. Your work is more than a job—it is a calling. Every lesson you teach, every student you encourage, every challenge you face is part of a greater purpose.

We thank God for your dedication, patience, and compassion. May He grant you strength when the days are long, wisdom when decisions are hard, and joy in the small victories. Know that your church family stands with you, cheering you on and lifting you up.

"Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." -Galatians 6:9

Life@CCR

- We so appreciate the donations towards school supplies!
 With your help, we were able to help a total of 22 kids with back-to-school items like backpacks, headphones, scissors, markers, crayons, rulers, erasers, pencils, pens, paper, highlighters, and colored pencils. Thanks so much for your help in getting these kids off to a great start this year!
- All children's classes (nursery through high school) will be dismissed this Sunday for the back-to-school breakfast. All children, teachers, school administrators, and parents are cordially invited to attend at 9 a.m. in the small fellowship. There will be lots of good food and fellowship and even giveaways for the teachers and kids! We hope to see you there this Sunday, August 3rd.
- Due to the back-to-school breakfast taking place in the small fellowship, Jesse McCarty's class will be meeting in room #13 this Sunday.
- **Book Club** is back in session! We'll meet on Monday, August 4th at 6 p.m.
- We were blessed with a beautiful night for **Church in the Park** on Wednesday night. Thanks to those who were able to come out and participate. We estimate there were about 100 in attendance.
- As the school year kicks into gear, we would like to share that the church building will once again be host to the NMMI IPA middle school P.E. classes. They will be utilizing our gym facilities on a regular basis this year. In addition, the newly named Claritas Pecos Valley Homeschool group will be using our building on Monday's, Tuesday's, and Thursday's this year! Three families from our church are now part of this homeschool community. We're so happy to get to share this big building to bless these families. Many thanks to the church for supporting their efforts!

Week @ a Glance

Celebrations & Happenings

3 rd	Back to School breakfast @9 a.m.
	A.M. worship @10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM,
	Facebook Live & YouTube.
4 th	Men's Lunch @11:30 a.m.
	Shawn Sexton's b-day.
	Elder's meeting @4:30 p.m.
	Book Club @6 p.m.
6 th	Wednesday evening bible class @6:30 p.m.
	Willis Howe's b-day.
8 th	Men's Coffee Group @8:30 a.m.
9 th	Kameron Dorrance's b-day.
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Small Group Bible Study

Text: Luke 2:41-52

- 1. What was your best family trip?
- 2. What do Jesus' character traits revealed in this passage tell us about him?
- 3. How much does he seem to know about his mission? How much do Mary and Joseph seem to know?
- 4. How would you have reacted when you finally found Jesus? How have you reacted when you found your lost child?
- 5. How do we help our children understand their identity and worth?
- 6. What kind of life should we live before our children? What did you learn watching your parents?
- 7. Focus on Luke 2:36-38. Have you ever had an Anna in your life? How can you be one to someone else?

Those Scheduled to Serve for August

Deacons on Duty: Phil Sexton, Dale Rogers

Men on Duty: Alan Warboys, Mac Rogers, Mark Pantuso