

# THOUGHTS & TRAVELS



# BibleMethodist

CONNECTION OF CHURCHES

## Events:

### Youth Rally:

Caleb Crouch, chairman of the Youth Committee reports plans for an event in late January.

### January Prayer Focus:

The month of January we focus on prayer. You may order a prayer guide from Darrell Stetler II

For Information about prayer focus go to:

[www.darrellstetler2.com/prayercampaign](http://www.darrellstetler2.com/prayercampaign)

### Pray Around the World:

Bible Methodists focus on praying together  
January 26, 2020 at 5:00 PM (CDST)

### Preacher's Meeting / Ministerial:

Date: February 4-6, 2020  
Speaker: Dr. David Bubb  
Location: Duncan, Oklahoma

#### Serving churches in:

Colorado

Kentucky

Louisiana

Idaho

Oklahoma

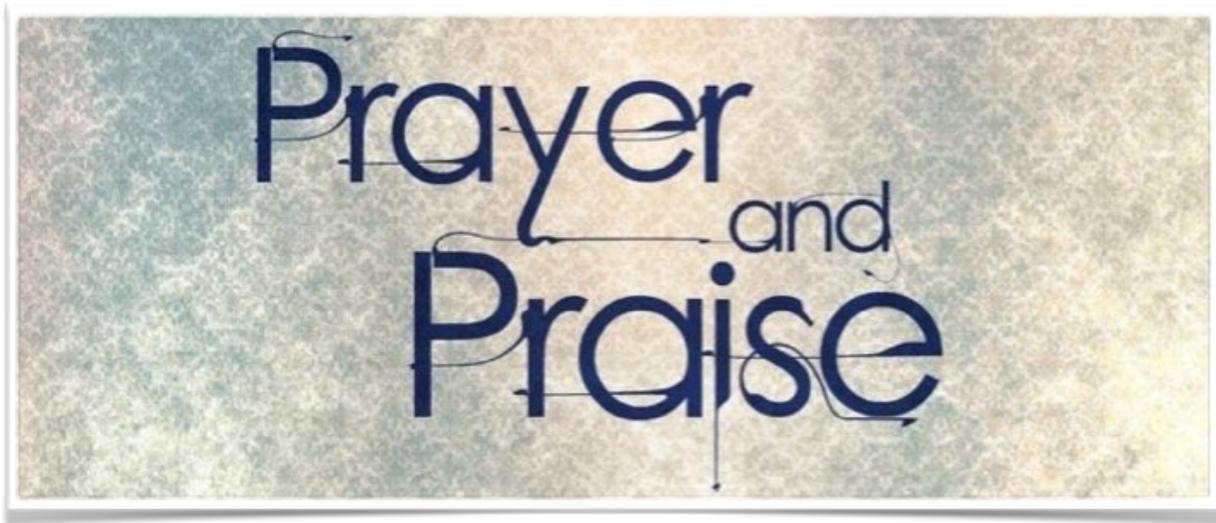
Texas

**Outreach and Bus Convention:**

Dates: March 3 - 5, 2020  
Location: Lebanon, Pennsylvania

**Camp Meeting 2020:**

Dates: July 28 through August 2, 2020  
Location: Garner Creek Retreat Center,  
Dickson, Tennessee  
Evangelists: Rev. Harry Plank  
Rev. James Plank  
Song Evangelist: Jonathan and Jalena Glick  
Children Service: Harrold Taylor



**Prayer and Praise:**

- During your Sunday morning pastoral prayer, please pray for Lay Leader Andrew Blankenship and the church in Whitehouse, Texas.
- Please pray for the President, Congress, Judges as well as state and local officials.
- Pray for the ministry in Papua New Guinea and Shirley Fogleman as she prepares to return to her work in a few short days.
- Pray for the church in Whitehouse, Texas as they search for a pastor.

- Pray for wisdom as we consider the possibility of a new church joining with us.
- Pray for wisdom for the members of the Executive Committee.
  
- Praise the Lord for the richness of His grace and strength.
- Praise the Lord for His holy and beautiful presence.

## Thoughts:

Isaiah wrote in Chapter 43,

“Behold, I will do a new thing,  
 Now it shall spring forth;  
 Shall you not know it?  
 I will even make a road in the wilderness  
 And rivers in the desert.” NKJV

Again the Lord is preparing the hearts of His people for the the things He is doing. Isaiah wrote, “I will make a road in the wilderness.” The wilderness is most often an area that is devoid of human activity, but even in the most remote and least likely places and among the people who seem least receptive to the Gospel the Lord is working.

I trust we can see past the evidences of sin in peoples lives and know that God is working in areas that we cannot see. May we, by faith and trust, cooperate with the Lord as He convicts and calls people to Himself.

Watch for the new thing God is doing and invest in His ministry.

## Personal:

It was a special joy for us to welcome our son, Larry and two of his children, Carson and Emma, the day after Christmas. They drove out from South Carolina and spent the week with us. Larry’s wife, Martha and their son, Payton took a mission’s trip to Ethiopia and their oldest son Steven attended the Vision 2020 Conference so Larry and the other two children blessed us. During their time with us we played games (I was introduced to pickle ball) and spent a lot of time just sitting together and visiting.

New Years Eve day we drove to Dallas. While in the city we visited the John F. Kennedy memorial walked around down town some and then spent a few hours at Dallas Galleria. While there I enjoyed ice skating with Emma and Carson. In the evening we had a very nice dinner at Pappasitos.

May the Lord give you a blessed New Year!

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Left: Enjoying dinner with Larry, Carson and Emma.

Below: Ice skating with Carson and Emma at

