



Thoughts & Travels

Southwest Conference of the Bible Methodist Connection of Churches:

Serving Churches in:

Arkansas

Colorado

Idaho

Kansas

Kentucky

Louisiana

Missouri

New Mexico

Oklahoma

Texas

Thoughts:

Agnes Sanford, the daughter of a Presbyterian missionary, and later wife of an Episcopalian rector has written on prayer in the book *The Healing Light*.

“There is no mystery concerning the will of God, in so far as it applies to our small selves. God’s will is written into His nature, and the nature of God is love. Therefore, when we pray in accordance with the law of love, we are praying in accordance with the will of God.”

As we seek His face let’s embrace His love and focus. Know God nature and character should give us clearer understanding of His mission and purpose.

Personal:

Thanks for your patience. I missed a week of Thoughts & Travels because of vacation. Then shortly after we returned home our internet modem was destroyed by lightening so we been a little disconnected.

We enjoyed a week at Snodgrasses “Soaring Eagles Ranch” reading, fishing and sleeping. This past week we have been home working on Conference and Church matters.



Events:

Youth Camp:

- Date: June 26-30, 2023
- Speaker: Marc Sankey
- Contact: Pastor Crouch - (812) 734-6946

Family Camp:

- Annual Conference July 25
- Date: July 25-30
- Speakers: Dr. Paul Kaufman and Duane Quesenberry
- Contact LaFreda Roundtree to register; 580) 736-2526 or lroundtreectal@yahoo.com

Conference Finances:

May 2023

Operating Receipts:	\$5,567.27
Operating Expenses:	\$4,809.15
Total	\$ 758.12

I preached Sunday at Durant. Monday this week the Executive Committee met in anticipation of Annual Conference and Camp. I have prepared a mailing to the pastors.

Sunday evening Penn View has a group singing at Durant in the 6:00 PM service.

Next week is Youth Camp. Please pray, attend and give as you are able.

Prayer:

- Pastor, during your Pastoral prayer, please lift Living Hope, Salina, KS and Pastors Hurst to the Lord. I would encourage you to mention the highlighted church during your pastoral prayer. It is a good time to remind your people of the other churches in the Conference.
- Pray for Connectional Leadership: Blake Jones, Jack Hooker, R.G. Hutchison, Chelle Durr, Michael Avery and Bob Blankenship.
- Pray for Missionaries: Brennan and Ivon Muir, Shirley Fogleman, Maricka Herrer and David Martinez.
- Pray for a possible opening in the ministry of Troyers.
- Pray for your Conference Leadership and Executive Committee.
- Pray for Conference Extension Chairman Todd Hurst and the churches in Mena, Arkansas, Millersburg, Kentucky and Grants, New Mexico.
- Pray for Whitehouse as they search for a pastor and for Goings as they transition to Pennsylvania.
- Pray for Patsy Taylor, who has suffered strokes and is in hospital.
- Pray for Pastor Hurst's father-in-law who has suffered a broken hip.
- Pray for the Nathan Carpenter family as they grieve his loss.

Praise:

- Thanks the Lord, and the people who have gone to help in Grants, NM. Roy told me that the inspector for electric was very helpful.
- Thank the Lord for people who are hungry for the Gospel!