

Alligators and Children

Years ago in South Florida, a little boy decided to go to the swimming hole behind his house. He ran out the back door and flew into the water. As he swam toward the middle of the lake, an alligator was swimming toward him from the other shore.

In the house, his mother looked out a window and saw what was happening. Terrified, she ran toward the water, yelling to her son. Hearing her, the boy became alarmed and made a U-turn to swim to his mother.

Just as he reached her, the alligator reached him. The alligator snatched the boy's legs; the mother grabbed his arms. An incredible tug-of-war ensued.

The alligator was much stronger than the mother, but the mother was more passionate. A farmer happened to drive by, heard her screams, raced from his truck, took aim, and shot the alligator.

After weeks in the hospital, the boy was scarred but healed. A reporter interviewed him. He asked if he could see the scars. The boy lifted his pant legs. Then with obvious pride, he said, "Look at my arms. I have scars on my arms, too. I have them because my mom wouldn't let go."

Every mother knows the feeling of seeing her child in danger and feeling hopeless. Usually the danger is not from a creature in the woods or swamp but from the world (James 4:4). When "alligators" grab our children, we hold on. Sometimes it is all we can do. We hold on and pray (1 Samuel 7:5; 12:23).

In the end, if we are spiritual parents, if we model what we want our children to be, it has great power. —*Lonnie Davis, House to House*

JEREMIAH CHAPTER ONE

A P N E S A R B P V E S S D E D	ALMOND MOUTH
P R I N C E S P L R I N E T E O	BELLY NATIONS
B E T M R O F R E P I C H L E H	BRASEN NORTH
M V H O T H R O W D N E I U I T	BREAK PERFORM
O A S E E O F P I E E V S L T H	BUILD PILLAR
W I H E L V L H F N E M K T O R	CAPTIVE PLANT
A L M O N D I E P R C I R R S O	DEFENCED PREVAIL
D T I H E I D T R I A E H O W N	DELIVER PRIESTS
O N R M H S H H P H L A N A F E	DESTROY PRINCES
S L L T T N S A O A I L S S T Y	FACES PROPHET
D I U D R N E D N S C P A O E O	FORMED REIGN
R O S L O H S U O A E L L R T R	HILKIAH SPEAK
M H E I N I E J W A L L S R F T	INCENSE THRONE
I R T U E B C E K Q Y L L E B S	JOSIAH THROW
U A E B N C A B R E A K H E D E	JUDAH WALLS
N G I E R I F S A I T N A L P D	LOINS WOMB

😊 Special Days 😊

Happy Birthday, July!

Kierra Oyola	1	Donna Wirt	2
Ashlynn Wedge	5	Janelle Okiyi	5
Charles Swabb	8	Karla Anthony	9
Michael Ambrose	10	Danny Gauvin	10
Shannon Anthony	16	Wayne Marbury	20
Lauren Comeaux	22	Niles Wedge	22
Keith Gillispie	25	Katie Wedge	26

Happy Anniversary, July!

Chris and Shelby Neal	12
Josh and Jessica Endy	12
Eric and Karla Anthony	18
Troy and Denise Crayton	26

TRUE HUMILITY IS

- H**onoring God above yourself
- U**nderstanding your need for grace
- M**ourning over your sin
- I**lluminating God's glory
- L**ooking for ways to serve others
- I**gnoring your pride and Satan's lies
- T**rusting God's plan over your own
- Y**earning to worship

WOODBIDGE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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July 16, 2017

Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

Elders

Eric Anthony Ernie Maiwald
Michael Neal Lee Porter
Tim Wertz

Deacons

Perry Comeaux Jason Cottoner
Keith George Dan Medina
Niles Wedge

Minister

Ernie Maiwald

Associate Minister

Keith George

*The Woodbridge elders recommend the following
Bible translations for our public worship and
study:*

*King James Version, New King James Version and
American Standard Version. 1901*

Welcome, Visitors!

Thank you for coming to worship with us today. You are our honored guests. We are a Bible church with Bible aims relying on God's word as our only authority. We invite you to join us in worshipping through:

- o singing (Eph 5:19)
- o praying (I Tim 2:1-2)
- o studying (II Tim 4:2)
- o giving (I Cor 16:2)
- o remembering our Lord's sacrifice through communion (Acts 20:7).

We want to have a record of your visit. Please complete the visitor's card that is in the pew before you and place it in the collection basket or hand it to one of our members.

If we can be of service to you, in any way, please let us know. And please visit with us again soon. We look forward to seeing you.

		Morning	Evening
Epistles	July 16	I Corth. 9 - 10	I Corth. 9 - 10
The Law	July 17	Genesis 48 - 50	Genesis 48 - 50
History	July 18	I Samuel 11 - 15	I Samuel 11 - 15
Psalms	July 19	Psalms 36 - 38	Psalms 36 - 38
Poetry	July 20	Job 25 - 26	Job 25 - 26
Prophecy	July 21	Jeremiah 1 - 6	Jeremiah 1 - 6
Gospels	July 22	Mark 5 - 6	Mark 5 - 6

Daily Bible Readings Bible Class Schedule for the Week

Week of July 16			
Sunday	Lesson 60	Exodus 12:21-51	
Wednesday	Lesson 61	Exodus 13	
Week of July 23			
Sunday	Lesson 62	Exodus 14	
Wednesday	Lesson 63	Exodus 15	

Announcements

The Gillispies will be moving to Hawaii. We will be having an ice cream social after Sunday evening services **Tonight**.

Additionally, there is a picture on the table in the foyer for them. Please sign and leave a message for the Gillispies.

Assignments		
	16 July	23 July
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song	Gillispie	Anthony
Prayer	Crayton	Chris Dollard
Preside @ Table	Marbury	Medina
Assisting	M. Frazier	Gillispie
Assisting	Z. Frazier	Johnson
Assisting	Gauvin	Kent
Prayer	Neal	Alex Parramore
Evening Worship*		
	16 July	23 July
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song Leader	Gillispie	Anthony
Prayer	Caples	Chris Dollard
Communion/Prayer	Marbury	Medina
Wed. Evening Worship		
	19 July	26 July
Announcements	Comeaux	George
Song Leader	Gillispie	Various
Invitation	Wedge	Anthony
Prayer	Neal	Alex Parramore

Notes:

1. *Please arrange for a substitute if you are unable to perform an assigned duty.*
2. *Notify Tim Wertz and Karla Anthony of any changes.*
3. *Transportation. If anyone would be willing to help with transportation to and from services on Sunday and Wednesday, please see Niles Wedge.*

	July	August	September
Prepare Communion	Lake	Medina	Porter
Building Lockup	Neal	Wertz	Maiwald

REMINDERS

Mens Breakfast	8/12/17	8:00am	OC Buffet
EDP Meeting	8/12/17	9:30am	Building
Qtrly Potluck (Zone 3 hosting)	9/10/17	Noon	Building

Helpful Contact Addresses:

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For our Prayers

New

- **Joyce Porter** (Lee Porter's mom) will be having a biopsy on her kidney on Monday
- **Richard Gunselman** (Megan Earwood's dad) had a heart attack on Tuesday. He has multiple significant health issues so the doctors are having to be very careful about the types of tests that can be run to decide what the best procedure is to help deal with the blockages.

Assisted Living

- **Gayle Swabb** (Whispering Pines - Luray)
- **Charles Swabb** (Betty's Place - Manassas)

Continued Prayers for Family and Friends:

- **Omer Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's brother) Cancer
- **Sandra Lauriano** (co-worker for Kennetha Marbury) cancer
- **Lucille Goolsby** (Sue Bilbrey's sister-in-law) Cancer
- **Harry Sweet** (Cancer)
- **Lenny Skutnik** (Crohns)
- **OT Martin** (Ernie's dad) Alzheimer's
- **Vicky Smith** (Kennetha Marbury's cousin) kidney
- **Tom Gilley** (Bobbie Girard's brother) memory problems
- **Jesse Medina** (Dan's brother) pulmonary hypertension
- **Johnnie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux aunt) Long Term Care
- **Louise Carr** (Erica Riley's mother) strokes
- **Ryan Schick** (friend of the Gillispie's) motorcycle accident
- **Jan Dunlap** (Linda Skutnik's sister)
- **Cayla Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's daughter) Colitis
- **Amelia** (Miranda Gillispie's cousin) breathing problems
- **Hailey** (Miranda Gillispie's cousin) neck problems
- **Juanita Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's mom) Thyroid Surgery
- **Jean Long** (Sue Bilbrey's sister) brain tumor
- **Connie Fletcher** (Bobbie Girard's daughter) Stroke/Rehab
- **Joyce Porter** (Lee's mother) circulation problems
- **Robert Cottoner** (Jason's father) prostate cancer
- **Angelica Garcia** (friend of Linda Skutnik) acute leukemia
- **Renee Wilson** (friend of Bobby Johnson) cardiac arrest
- **John** (Miranda Gillispie's grandfather)
- **Deidre Johnson** (Bobby Johnson's niece) pregnancy complications
- **Sammie Thompson** (Perry Comeaux's cousin) cancer

Continued prayers for our members

Bobbie Girard	Alwilda Merritt	Bobby Johnson
Colleen Wertz	Christine Liddell	Betty Perez
Tom White	Deb Neal	Endy Family
Zayda McCorkle	Mike Neal	