



# OPERATION

AUGUST 16

# BLUE JEANS AND BEYOND

August 2, 2015

University Church of Christ exists by the grace of God to be a loving fellowship praising God by living and telling the good news of Jesus.

## WORSHIP

**Welcome** Luke Burnam

*Days of Elijah*  
**810 Listen to Our Hearts**

**Family News** Jason Morris  
**Congregational Prayer**

**902 Nothing But the Blood**

**Communion** Steven Moore  
**Bread**  
**903 There is Power in the Blood**  
**Cup**  
**904 Have You Been to Jesus?**

**Offering**

**Children's Church**

**705 A Common Love**

**Operation Blue Jeans and Beyond** Jim Clark

**Fellowship with One Another** Brent Isbell

*How Great is Our God*

**Benediction: 1 Corinthians 1:4-9**

**Worship Leader** Luke Burnam  
*If you would like to pray with someone today, you are invited to pray with elders Gustavo Villanueva and Jeff Arrington in Room 101 at the close of our service.*

*Our Sunday morning service is broadcast live at [www.uccabilene.org](http://www.uccabilene.org).*

## REFLECTIONS

**Brent Isbell**, Preaching Minister  
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**Welcome!** If you are visiting UCC today, please take a minute to fill out one of those **guest registry cards** (located on the seat backs). Then simply drop your card in the offering plate when it's passed later. Are you looking for a church home? Please visit us again soon. Let us get to know each other. Every Christian needs a strong spiritual family, and we would love to be yours! Thank you for joining our worship today.

**How to Behave in Church.** Our summer sermons have been focusing on how we behave in church, looking at the "one another" teachings in the New Testament. These Scriptures are important, because they teach us how to behave toward our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ, not to mention toward all our neighbors. Today, let's look at one of the best passages in the Bible-1 John 1-where the writer talks about how Christians **Have Fellowship with One Another**. What does it mean that we are a "fellowship"? What are the implications? Remember, we are challenging each other to honestly evaluate our own level of Body membership. What if every member of the church was a member just like you? Our worship leader today is **Luke Burnam**.

**Majoring in the Minors.** We continue our summer series on the Minor Prophets this Wednesday night. Our guest speaker this week is **Jarrold Robinson** from the Southern Hills church here in Abilene. If you are here, please come hear Jarrold's message at 7 p.m. in the Family Room. His topic is **Haggai: It's Time to Stop Being Afraid**.

See you in two weeks! I am leaving Tuesday to spend nine days in Russia, and my traveling companion is **Dr. Royce Money**. Royce and I will be co-teaching a conference at the Christian Resource Center in St. Petersburg. We are looking forward to being with UCC's partner and good friend **Igor Egirev** and about thirty church leaders from all over Russia. This is a great opportunity, but not an easy trip, so pray for Royce and me and our families as we travel and teach.

**Dr. James Thompson** will be preaching in my absence next Sunday, so you're in great hands. Lord willing, I will see you again on August 16, which is **Operation Blue Jeans Sunday!**

**CLASS TIMES:**  
Sunday - 9 a.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

**WORSHIP TIMES:**  
Sunday - 10 a.m., 5 p.m.

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## NURSERY FACILITIES

For your convenience, nursery facilities are available during worship in the Early Childhood Center.

**ATTENDANCE:** July 26, 2015  
Worship - **434** Northern Oaks - **25**  
Bilingual - **45** Chisholm Place - **22**  
C. Village - **22** Silver Springs - **49**  
Coronado - **85**

**OFFERING:**  
July 26 **\$14,060.37**  
YTD **\$521,906.99**  
**<106,939.21>**

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Jennifer Welch, Children's Minister  
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**Wednesday Nights in August:** Join us:  
- **August 5:** Nelson Park, 7-8 p.m.

- **August 12:** Play Faire Park, 6:45-8:30 p.m.;  
Located at 2300 North First Street. Cost will be \$3 per person, children five and under will be free with a paying adult. You will be able to enjoy 36 holes of golf. Please bring mosquito repellent.

**Heifer Project:** Our Heifer Project will end on Sunday, Aug. 9. Parents, remind your kids to work to earn money. They can bring their banks, baggies or wallets that day.

**Service Project:** On Monday, Aug. 10 from 9:30 a.m. to noon, children first through fifth grade will meet in the Family Room. We will go to the Christian Service Center to help where needed and then head to Sonic to play and get a drink. Parents, please send money for your child to get a drink and plan to pick them

## TRANSITIONS

### *a ministry of 20s and 30s*

Joey Roberts, Communications Minister  
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**Tonight,** we will have small group at the **Gibbs'** house (901 Washington) at 5 p.m.

On **Wednesday, Aug. 5,** we will join the children's ministry at Nelson Park from 7-8 p.m.

Next **Sunday, Aug. 9** we will meet at Cal Young Park with the Vargas family serving as our hosts.

Check out our **Facebook** page for other events and details pertaining to Transitions.

## NEWS AND NOTES

Join us for **5 p.m. Chapel Service** today as **Jeff Arrington** will be our speaker and **David Allen Sprott** will lead the singing.

There was a misprint in the bulletin last week per the attendance on **July 19.** The correct count should have been 392.

You are invited to celebrate **James and Carolyn Thompson** and their 50 years together at a reception on Saturday, Aug. 15 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.

On Sunday, Aug. 16, we will have our annual **Operation Blue Jeans** special contribution. This year's theme is "Operation Blue Jeans and Beyond." Please be in prayer how you can help support this worthwhile ministry as we help low-income Abilene children receive new school clothing, standardized dress for middle school kids, success kits, backpacks, children's Bibles as well as school supplies.

**Patty Cox:** "The bone cancer hasn't responded to the last round of chemo, so a new type of chemo will be tried for 21 days. Please pray that this new medicine retards the growth of cancer in the bone marrow and that the kidneys can filter the medicine adequately."

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Jason Craddock, Youth Minister  
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facebook.com/groups/uymteens

**Mission Stay Starts Tonight:** Beginning tonight (8/2) and finishing Wednesday night (8/5) we will have our annual MS Mission Stay. We will have several projects throughout the week, and we will have lots of fun activities in the evenings. Mission Stay is for all entering sixth graders through those who just finished eighth grade. There is no cost for the week. Please let Jason know if you would like to attend but haven't signed up yet.

**The PEAK on Wednesday:** On Wednesday night from 7-8 p.m., we will wrap up our MS Mission Stay with a slideshow from the week. We still want high schoolers to come and encourage our middle schoolers, just like they did during the HS Mission Trip slideshow. We will have snacks and drinks, too.

**REEL Faith on Thursday:** On Thursday, our REEL Faith movie will be *The Maze Runner* (PG-13) on our ClearPlay player. We will start at 6 p.m. and finish at 9 p.m. We will have candy, popcorn and drinks.

**Intern Farewell Sunday:** Next Sunday, Aug. 9, is the last Sunday for **Brittney Starkey**, our summer intern. Come join us from 5-8 p.m. as we appreciate all she has done with us this summer. We will have spaghetti for dinner.

### Events on the Horizon:

- **MS/HS Fall Retreat:** October 2-4 (football bye week for AHS and ACHS).

- **Encounter LE:** November 20-22

## PRAYER LIST

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR - Aug. 2-6

<b>AUG. 2</b>	8:30 a.m. - Coffee, Juice and Donuts, MAC 9 a.m. - Bible Classes 10 a.m. - Worship, Jeff Arrington - speaker, Luke Burnam - worship leader 5 p.m. Chapel Service - Brent Isbell - speaker, David Sprott - song leader
<b>AUG. 5</b>	7 p.m. - Nelson Park Family Time 7 p.m. - MS Mission Stay Slideshow, Youth Center 7 p.m. - Majoring in the Minors, Family Room (Jarrod Robinson)
<b>AUG. 6</b>	6 p.m. - REEL Faith, UCC Youth Group in Theater

### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

If you have a submission for the weekly bulletin, please submit to Joey by noon on Wednesdays. You may call him at 673-6497 or email joey@uccabilene.org.