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Amos 2:1-16  
Amos 3:1-15  
Amos 4:1-13  
Amos 5:1-27  
Amos 6:1-14  
Amos 7:1-17  
Amos 8:1-14

**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS** *October 24*  
*Wanda Clay, Vicki Mathis*  
*Brent and Katie Gough*

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOXES!!**  
**OCTOBER COLLECTIONS:**

Hair Accessories for Girls,  
Toys for Boys and Girls, Flip Flops,  
Tee Shirts, Plastic Bowls and Cups  
Coloring Books



**OUR CHILDREN (KINDERGARTEN-GRADE 5)  
WILL HAVE A PACKING PARTY ON  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 6:30-7:00 PM  
IN THE CHILDREN'S AREA.**



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## COMING UP!

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

Sunday School  
Worship Service

9:00 - 9:45 AM  
10:00 - 11:00 AM

ADULT EXERCISE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY, 8:30 A.M.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Highlanders Meeting at noon

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- Family Night Supper at 5:00 PM

MENU: Stuffed Potatoes (subject to availability), Salad, Dessert

CHILDREN'S MENU: Hot Dogs or Chicken Nuggets

\$5.00 Adults (6th Grade and up) \$3.00 Children \$20.00 Family Maximum

- Prayer Meeting (6:00-7:00 PM)

- Youth Worship (6:00 -7:00 PM)

- Kidz WOW (6:00-7:00 PM)

- NO Adult Choir Rehearsal (7:00-8:00 PM)

**SERVE**  
**SUNDAY**  
JOHN 13:34-35

**OCTOBER 31**  
**following the morning**  
**worship service!**



**OCTOBER 31**  
**4:00-6:00 PM**  
**HBC**  
**Lower Parking**  
**Lot**

**CANDY NEEDED**

#### FROM OUR MINISTER TO STUDENTS...

I'm a game player. I always have been. It doesn't really matter what kind of game it is, I want to play. I grew up playing organized sports. I started playing tee ball when I was three and didn't stop playing baseball until graduation. I started playing peeewee football when I was 9 and played until graduation. I started playing basketball when I was in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and played until 9<sup>th</sup> grade. I played for my golf team for two years in high school and, to this day, golf is one of my favorite past times. My desire to play games even extends beyond sports. I enjoy playing card games, video games, board games, children's games, trivia games, really anything that has a winner and loser, I want to play. In fact, anytime my extended family is able to gather together for a holiday or reunion, there is going to be a lot of Spades and Rook card games played. One of my earliest memories is watching my parents play Rook with the couple that lived across the street. I wanted my dad to teach me to play and he said I couldn't play until I learned to shuffle the deck of cards. I think I was 6 when I learned to shuffle cards because I was so desperate to play with them.

I've always been like that. I want to play. I want to win. I DO NOT want to lose. There's a quote by Brad Pitt's character, Billy Beane, in the movie *Moneyball* where he says, "I hate losing... I hate it! I hate losing more than I even wanna win. And there's a difference." I am a firm believer in God's sense of humor. My wife, whom I love dearly, is the most non-competitive person I've ever met. Her attitude toward competition is she just wants everyone to have a good time. For those wondering, we don't do well as partners when we play games together.

All this being said, I feel like too many times we try to play games when we shouldn't, especially when it comes to God. Matt Chandler once preached a sermon on this subject and he spoke to the truth that God is not the being to try to win with. We often try to play with God, we try to compromise with God. When we feel God calling us to go, speak, tell, or do something on His behalf, we try to play this game with God where, rather than direct obedience, we try to compromise. "God, rather than going and telling my coworker about Your love, how about I give an extra \$100 this week." "God, rather than signing up to work on Serve Sunday next week, how about I just spend an extra 20 minutes in my quiet time 3 days this week." We try to compromise with God, play this game with God, when in actuality all we are doing is being disobedient to God. He's not interested in our compromises. He wants our worship. We worship Him by being obedient. 1 Samuel 15:22 says, And Samuel said, *"Has the Lord, as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams."* Our obedience is what Christ desires. Anything else is just us playing a game with God and this is a game we cannot and will not win.

#### THE VERY NEWEST

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Crane (Holly) on the birth of their granddaughter, Birdie Zane Crane.

Mrs. Virginia Hodges is the proud great-grandmother.



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TEXT GIVING. The number for text giving is 601-340-9409.

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:**  
...Billy Britt in the death of his grandson.



#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 17, 2021

Budget	15,081.42		
Child Development Center	.00	CDC Req. to date	980,367.36
Designated	815.00	(42@ 23,342.08)	
Total	15,896.42	CDC Receipts to date	934,989.35
Budget Req. to date (42@ 23,309.06)	978,980.52	SUNDAY SCHOOL	237
Budget Receipts to date	964,131.71	MORNING WORSHIP	245