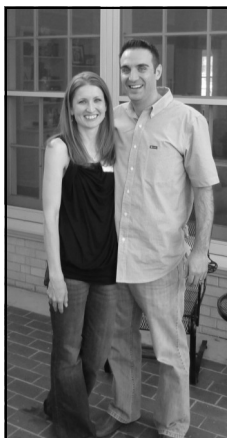




# westminster PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Welcome, Tyson!

by Baron Eliason



It is with great anticipation and joy that I give notice to you of a **called congregational meeting** for the purpose of confirming the call which has been extended to Tyson Taylor as our next Associate Pastor of Adult Ministry. This congregational meeting will immediately follow our combined worship service on Memorial Day at 11 a.m. and will be followed by a welcoming picnic in the park with the Taylor family.

It has been four years since this position was last filled by an ordained pastor. Following the development of our new mission statement, the decision to seek an ordained pastor again was recommended to our Session by our strategic planning team and approved by our Session and finally by our congregation in August of 2010.

With much of the reflective work on Westminster already having been completed in our visioning process, the committee hit the ground running. After reviewing 40 to 50 candidates they narrowed the search to a top list of three. After careful discernment by that committee, the call was issued to Tyson subject to the approval of our congregation.

A brochure regarding Tyson is under development and will be forthcoming as the Memorial Day meeting draws nearer. For now, the nominating committee's chairperson, Dr. Greg Bulls, has written a brief biography which is included below.

Welcome Rev. Tyson Taylor and his family at a Church-wide picnic, following the single service on **Sunday, May 29th.**

Please bring a side dish & dessert to share, along with your lawn chairs.

Meat and drinks will be provided.

At all times, the work of the Spirit has been evident in this process. Thanks be to God for His faithfulness in this process and thanks to the committee of **Sally Andrews, Greg Bulls, Sue Faison, Chad Montgomery, Melinda Shanklin, and Toni Tucker** for the many late nights, diligent efforts, and prayerful discernment. May God bless this congregation through the ministry He has prepared for Tyson to undertake.

*Grace and peace to you, Baron*

## A Word from the APNC

by Greg Bulls

The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee is proud to announce we have extended a call to Tyson Taylor to fill the position of Associate Pastor of Adult Ministry. Please join us on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> when Tyson returns to Lubbock to give his candidacy sermon to the congregation of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Tyson is a native West Texan, having been raised here in Lubbock and graduated from Coronado High School in 1997. Tyson was first called by our Lord right out of high school as a Summer Youth Ministry Intern at the First Christian Church in Port Arthur, Texas. He then moved to Amarillo, where he was the Director of Mid High/Senior High Ministry at First Presbyterian Church from 1997 to 2001 while he

attended West Texas A&M University. There he received his degree in Public Relations and Advertising.

Upon graduation from WTAM, he moved to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, where he was Director of Student Ministry at Ocean Drive Presbyterian Church. After two years, he returned to First Presbyterian in Amarillo where he spent the next five years as Director of Student Ministries until 2008. There he not only worked with students of all ages but was also integral in Young Adult and Men's Ministries.

In all, Tyson has over twelve years experience working in PC(USA) churches. It was during these formative years that he felt God's call into the ministry. In 2008, he entered Princeton

Theological Seminary where he will graduate the end of this month with a Masters of Divinity. While completing his studies at Princeton, Tyson has been active in Church Development in the New Jersey Presbytery, pastoral care, and a great deal of time as a hospital chaplain in the Trenton, NJ area.

Tyson and his wife, Camille (Cammy), have been married since 2001. They have two beautiful children, a son Cale (7) and a daughter Rylie (5). He enjoys reading, playing bluegrass guitar, and watching TTU football. He has a passion for parenting, small group ministry, teaching scripture, and pastoral care. I speak for the whole committee when I say how excited we are to have Tyson coming here to serve as our next Associate Pastor of Adult Ministry.

## Missional Thoughts

by Matt Mitchell

*This week's Missional Thoughts article has been deleted in the online edition of the Chimes, due to sensitive information. Please contact the church office (806.799.3621) if you would like to receive a hard-copy.*

## Directory Corrections

**Bart & Joyce Russell**  
New Address:  
6713-130th Street  
Lubbock, TX 79424

## Music Ministry

by Boyce Wyrick

### A Season of Change

This is always a time to reflect on the year past and to look ahead to a change of the season. Of course, that time is when the school ends and vacation time begins. This once used to have much more meaning when I, too, was involved in the ending of the school year and time away from the classroom. Now, however, it has other meanings, but it still is a time of endings and beginnings ... and planning!

The **Music Ministry at Westminster** has been involved since last August bringing music to our congregation in the form of hymns, anthems and service music (introits, calls to prayer, benedictions, amens, etc.). We have enhanced the words of scripture with musical settings which many of you have commented has brought new meaning to scriptures we have heard most of our lives. Some of you have been so kind to tell us when you were touched in special ways by the sounds of our music. We are honored that you take in what we offer to you and to our God. Even though the focus sometimes seems to be on those "performing," it should be said that lifting our voices **together** in praise to our Father in Heaven is the wonderful experience we all take home every Sunday morning. When **you** sing the hymns and praise songs with those leading worship, the sanctuary rings with the joyful and glorious sounds of a congregation in worship. The Music Ministry at Westminster thanks you for your support of our ministry here at 34<sup>th</sup> & Indiana Avenue.

What is ahead for the summer? I am so glad you are curious! **The Praise Team** will

## College Ministry

by JR Cochran

### Summer Prayer Guide for College Ministry

The summer will be a time of preparing and recruiting for the college ministry as we look toward the fall semester. Please join us in praying for the following:

- Growing influence on campus,
- JR's travels to other churches to meet incoming freshmen,
- Leadership among the students already in our college ministry,
- Safe travels for our students this summer,
- A deepening impact of college small groups in the Fall,
- Clarity and conviction for JR.

As always, thanks so much for your prayers and support

## Thank You

Thank you, precious friends of WPC, for responding so lovingly through your presence, food, cards, flowers, memorials, and most importantly your prayers during Jennifer's illness and reunion with her Savior. You continue to give us strength, courage, and comfort. We are truly humbled by your love and friendship. Thank you sincerely.

*Don and Chris Jones*

certainly continue to lead our 9:00 o'clock Contemporary Service, but you may be seeing some new faces as regular members will be in-and-out of town taking advantage of the summer months. Our one service of May 29<sup>th</sup> is going to be a service of gospel hymns ... you will not want to miss this very special worship hour! Our **Carolers and Choristers** will begin shortly after the opening of the 2011-2012 school year ... watch for the start-up date in the Westminster Chimes and the worship bulletin! **The Chorale** will sing through July 3<sup>rd</sup> when we will celebrate our Patriotic heritage together in a single combined service and start again on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. **The Prime Chimers** (our handbell choir) will close out on May 11<sup>th</sup> but will resume rehearsing on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

July 10<sup>th</sup> through August 14<sup>th</sup> will be the season of the **Summer Artists' Series** in which we host members of our Music Ministry and the Lubbock community to present musical offerings during the 11:00 O'clock Traditional Service. We will know all of these artists in the near future, so watch for the "line-up" coming to a church newsletter in your mailbox very soon!

The planning stage for next year is now, so if you have suggestions, **now** is the time to offer them! All suggestions from the congregation **and** the Music Ministry members are considered, so please make suggestions!

**Have a great summer and continue to enjoy music at Westminster!**

# Youth Ministry

by Shawn Mayo

Youth ministry is constantly changing and adapting in order to meet students where they are. Our desire is constantly to be speaking truth into their lives in a way that they can understand and accept. There are a variety of programs and strategies that we can implement to meet students where they are, but what are some things in youth ministry that are consistent?

1. Caring adult leaders – Great volunteers will forever be the foundation of any good youth ministry. Without loving men and women investing in our teenagers, we have nothing.
2. 1-on-1 time with students – Joshua Griffin says that, “The heart of youth ministry must always be the individual student. Even a large crowd program and event must continually pursue the one.”
3. Bible-based curriculum and teaching – Without the Bible, we can't call it ministry.
4. Leaders who love Jesus – If we're not doing ministry out of an overflow of our own love for Jesus, then our ministry will eventually implode.

These are at the core of our youth ministry. If you would like to help, please give me a call or e-mail and let me hear your heart for ministry.

# Children's Ministry

by Leslie Roach

## FAMILY SUMMER KICKOFF

Sunday, June 5th, 10am to 1pm

Potluck Lunch: Church will provide meat & drinks

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, beach towels, & swimsuits along with a side dish to share

GIANT Water Slide and slides for the toddlers, water balloons, & more!

**MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON** but mark your calendars NOW

Princess Camp: GIRLS ONLY, June 26th - 28th

Warrior Camp: BOYS ONLY, July 10th - 12th

I am going to backtrack a little in my article because I haven't had the opportunity to tell you how incredible our Easter season was in Children's Ministry this year! Over the years I have had the privilege of doing numerous programs with your kids, but by far Hallelujah Camp ranks in the top ten of my all time favorites!

This year for Easter we hosted camps over the course of three days, and the child's age determined which day he or she came to camp. So on Monday of Holy Week we had the preschoolers, and it was incredible to see the Holy Spirit move in the hearts of our little ones as they hunted eggs that told the Easter story and sang “Jesus Is Alive” to the tune of Row, Row, Row Your Boat. One mom texted us later in the week that her daughter came home and played camp with all her dolls telling them about Jesus and all that He had done for them. How do you know when a preschooler took in all that was being taught? When they mimic what they have experienced in their free play time! It is a testament that God even speaks to and teaches the smallest of His children.

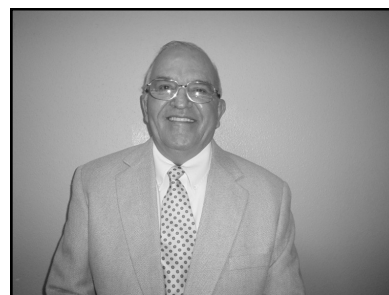
Then on Wednesday, the elementary age kids came to camp and walked through the last week of Jesus' life. We first took the kids on a journey to the Upper Room where we participated in a Seder meal and then encouraged the kids to wash each other's feet. As we left the Upper Room, all the kids sang “Jesus Loves Me” down the hall on the way to the Garden of Gethsemane. It was incredible to watch our kids take time to settle their hearts and not talk to their friends but simply be in communion with Christ as they wrote and drew prayers to Him. As we left the garden, we prepared our hearts for the crucifixion as the kids acted out the entire scene. It was amazing to see the Holy Spirit begin to allow the kids to see and understand what Christ had done for them! It was like light bulbs were going off in their minds and hearts as they grasped the truth that Christ took on their sins as he died on the cross. As the kids acted out taking Jesus body off the cross, we journeyed to the tomb. We all went inside the empty tomb, and there in the tiny butcher paper crafted tomb, we had six kids ask Jesus to be their forever best friend! It was an incredible experience! I loved hearing their voices as they prayed and asked Jesus to come into their hearts! All praise goes to God in Heaven! It was very much a Holy Spirit moment!

God certainly had His hand upon us this past Easter season, and I look forward to seeing our kids grow in their faith over the coming months!

# New Members



**Kally & Brenda Arrington** joined Westminster on May 8, 2011 by Certificates of Transfer from First Baptist Church in Plainview, TX (Kally) and All Saints Catholic Church in Dallas, TX (Brenda). Kally is a lender for ABC Bank, and Brenda is a homemaker. Their children are Luke, Samuel, Mae, and Charlie. Their address is 3206 56<sup>th</sup> Street/79413. Their cell phones are 789-5959 (Kally) and 470-7191 (Brenda).



**Gerald (Jerry) English** also joined Westminster on May 8, 2011 by Certificate of Transfer from North Pulaski United Methodist Church in Jacksonville, AR. He is married to WPC member Paulette English and is retired. Their address is 5430 42<sup>nd</sup> Street/79414 and phone is 795-0207.

# Announcements

## The Congregational Officers Nominating Committee

will be meeting soon to discuss candidates for the next class of Elders. If you would like to place a name for consideration, please contact Cheryl Sebastian (caseba@nts-online.net) or Kitty Harris-Wilkes (kitty.s.harris@ttu.edu). Bulletin insert forms will also be provided from May 1 to May 22 for your convenience.

## Memorial Day Holiday Schedule

The church office and WPC Preschool will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day.

## Exodus Prison Ministry Needs Your Donations

Prisoners both locally and all over the nation benefit from this ministry to prisoners. The local office is located at 4223-34<sup>th</sup> Street. They collect new and used Bibles, devotional books, study materials, and Christian books and magazines to ship to chaplains for prison libraries, jails, and youth detention centers. Your donations may be dropped off in the church front office on Sundays and weekdays in the box marked, "Exodus Prison Ministry Donations." For more information about this ministry, go to [www.exodusprisonministry.org](http://www.exodusprisonministry.org).

## Prime Timers to Meet May 16

Join us for a potluck luncheon on Monday, May 16 at 11:30am in the Parlor. We will be helping with an outreach project for Hope Lodge in Lubbock, which is a division of the American Cancer Society. Please bring a casserole (or more, if you like), that will feed two to four people, freezer ready. You may purchase or even better, make it yourself. These are offered to patients and their care-givers, to cook on site while staying at the Lodge. We are very excited to put our faith in action at HOPE LODGE!!!

## New Baby Ministry

If you are interested in being a part of this group who ministers to new moms as they transition home with baby, please email Amber Clifford at [amber\\_clifford@yahoo.com](mailto:amber_clifford@yahoo.com).

## Congratulations!

Megan Cunningham, WPC member and wife of Andrew Cunningham is receiving her Master's Degree from Texas Tech in Elementary Education. The graduation ceremony is this Friday night, May 13th.

**May 18**

## Wonderful Westminster Wednesday Workers Super Summer Salad Suppers

**5:00 Dona's Polish Sausage Soup & German Potato Salad**

**5:30 Family Promise, discussed by Aveline Hewetson**

**5:45 prayer, led by Sally Andrews**

**6 - 7:30 sewing projects, directed by Paulette English**

Stockings Count:  
Goal: 3000; 250 finished

ALL are invited to the suppers and/or the devotionals and prayer time, whether or not participating in the sewing projects.

## STARS AND STRIPES DRIVE-IN NIGHT

Featuring "Kung Fu Panda 2"  
FRIDAY, June 3rd, at 7:00pm

TICKETS: \$3.00 Per Person  
5 & under FREE!!

PLAYGROUND FOR THE KIDS



Picnic Dinner

(bring your own food or purchase from their 50's Café)

Bring: lawn chairs and a dessert to share

CHECK THEIR WEBSITE: [www.driveinusa.com](http://www.driveinusa.com)

5101 Clovis Hwy (between N. Quaker and Frankford Ave.)



The WPC Sewing Ministry Fellowship of the Scissors and Needles continues to meet on Thursdays in Room 206, working on Little Dresses and Britches, crocheted and knitted caps, fleece hats and turbans, baseball caps, crib, wheelchair & walker totes, heart pillows, little bears, pillow cases, aprons and bibs, quilts and blankets. Please join the fellowship -- no sewing experience needed -- just bring happy hands and willing hearts. Come & Go: 10 - 2 with a brown bag lunch; coffee and tea are provided. If you would like to share the joy of delivering items to a church member or friend, please call Paulette English (806-795-0207) or drop by Room 206 during the WSM work sessions.

The Westminster Sewing Ministry Mission statement is to share the warmth of God's Love by creating gifts of comfort for our community and to the ends of the world.

\*\*\*\*Donations of fabrics, notions, and sewing machines would be very welcome.\*\*\*\*

## CONNECTIONS

Connections Class Link 4 – Sharing the Faith

All of us are called to share the good news of Jesus with others. The calling is clear, but many don't know where to begin. Therefore, the Connections Class Link Four on sharing the faith is being offered beginning Wednesday, May 18th at 6:30 pm. We'll meet that first night in the FMC Lobby and choose an appropriate room. This class will last three sessions and is part of the larger "Connections" series.

The Connections class series is taught by Baron Eliason and Matt Mitchell. The Connections Class is built around a series of four "links." Each link consists of three classes. Link One is designed for anyone interested in membership at WPC and is being phased into our membership process. Link Two overviews hints and tips regarding the spiritual disciplines of prayer, study, scripture memory, etc. Link Three addresses the topic of finding your spiritual gifts for ministry and their place in the life of WPC. Every member and visitor should take advantage of this series, so watch for announcements about other classes as they are formed. A Link One class will be offered at least three times a year, and one is coming this summer!

# Christian Concerns Westminster Cares

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Please phone Jan in the church office (799-3621) to notify WPC of birth, death, illness, or hospitalization. We care, and we want to know!  
(Please remember that HIPAA regulations do not permit the hospitals to share patients' names with WPC staff.)

**Church-wide Prayer Team** "My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations." —Isaiah 56: 7. Join a church-wide prayer team of all ages, which will be broken into smaller teams to meet on a rotating basis during the Sunday School hour each week in the prayer room. Contact: Bev Day, 794-0038, Leslie Roach, 799-3621, ext. 219, or Sally Andrews, 797-0097.

**RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED:** Margaret Pappas, Wayne Plowman

**SYMPATHY TO:** Kathryn MacNair and family in the death of her uncle, Jerry Bellows, on 5/3 in California. A memorial service will be held on 5/13; Ofelia Herrera and family in the death of her father, Santos Solis, on 5/3 in Amarillo, TX. Services were held in Plainview, TX on 5/6.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Jeremy & Vonda Carathers, in the birth of a daughter, Brenlee Elizabeth, on April 28 in Lubbock; David & Josette Dannheim in the birth of a son, Colton John, on May 9 in Lubbock. Grandparents are John & Trudy Borrelli of Waynesboro, PA.

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## GENERAL CONCERNS

The following suffer from general health concerns: Anne Bulls, Walt Clark, Norma Couch, Eunice Dersch, Monica Dunlap, Mae Egbe, Rob & Carolyn Farrer, Eugenia Gray, Anne Griffin, Dana Hale, Jack Helms, Wallace Hess, Charles & Wilhelmina Hiemstra, Ann Jenson, Juanell Johnson, Virginia Joplin, Harold Laverty, Richmond Lee (safe travels to Australia), Bertha Lemaster, Harvey & Micky McEachern, Helen McGarrett, Mabry Peel, Wayne Plowman (treatment for Myelodysplastic Syndrome), Helen Price, Joyce Russell, Betty Turner, Peggy Vannoy, and Helen Walker. Erik Herrera needs prayer for strength as he goes through therapy for Myasthenia Gravis.

## FRIENDS & FAMILY

(We will list friends and extended family for a month. Following that time, please call the office if you wish for them to remain on the list.)

Courtney Brogdon (Gene Day's employee's niece) Blood clot in leg, 16 years old; Richard Dodge (Nancy Dodge's brother) Final stages of cancer; Terry Endlich (Bev Day's neighbor) Recent loss of her husband; Samantha Galloway (John & Betty Schmitz's great-granddaughter) Infant, breathing problems and hole in her heart; Linda George (Brenda Boles' daughter's mother-in-law) Is in ICU in Dallas testing for possible heart transplant; Jim McKee (Mary Zickefoose's brother) Undergoing chemo and radiation treatments; Freida Musgrave (Larry & Janet Williams' step-grandmother) Age 103, mild heart attack; Eric Neale (Ken & Sharon Romines's son) Chemotherapy for liver and diaphragm cancer; David Pearson (Beth Lee's friend) Health issues; Amy Roach (WPC preschool teacher) Recovery from infection from surgery; Sandy Schrag (Nancy Foster's cousin) Medical issues; Gordon Simmons (Bruce & Kathryn MacNair's friend) Under Hospice care; Mike Thomas (Katie Eliason's father) Health issues—lives in Frisco, TX; Johnny Velasco (Brandy Langston's friend) Diagnosed with Leukemia.

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## SEMINARY STUDENTS

Emily Roberts, Dillon Ferguson, Jessi Fleming, Max Hochenedel

## MISSIONARIES

Will & Amanda Johnson (Youth with a Mission) China  
Katie Mathis (iGO Global) Middle East  
Keith & Kelly Rodgers (Hope for Nicaragua), Nicaragua  
Jack Rudd (Teethsavers) Teethsavers in Africa & Central America  
Doran & Amy Schoenhals (Campus Crusade) Texas  
Brandon & Jenny Scott (CAM International) Guatemala  
Billy & Jess Streu (Operation Mobilization) Bosnia  
Tim Tam (Amarillo office), Beth Garner, Kenny Logan, Pedro Perez (Word at Work Ministry) Belize  
Drew Tucker (Summer 2011—Mission Discover) Swaziland

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## MILITARY PERSONNEL

AIR FORCE	Jonathan Hogan (Doug Hogan's son) Texas, Adam Keith (Stan & Kathy Tucker's son) Italy, Zachary Laird (Ruth Huffaker's grandson) Arizona.
ARMY	Keith Anderson (Beth Anderson Lee's son) Texas, Craig Combs (Samantha McKay's friend), Iraq; David Hale (Becky Benson Hale's husband) Georgia. Rick Miller (Martha Daniel's nephew) Germany, Zane Wilson (Lynnette Wilson's son) S. Carolina. Garrett Zuerker (Mike Zuerker's cousin), Afghanistan
COAST GUARD	Michael Taylor Knight (Friend of many WPC Youth) Virginia
MARINES	Beau Babcock (Mike Zuerker's cousin) Afghanistan, Bryan Perry (John & Betty Schmitz's grandson-in-law) California, Paula Sepeda (Todd Faison's sister-in-law) California, Nick Sims (John & Debbie Sims's son) Rhode Island, Sean Vannoy (Peggy Vannoy's grandson) California
NAVY	Jeff Benson (Becky Benson Hale's brother) Japan, Jay English (Jerry & Paulette English's grandson) Japan, Mark A. Gilreath (Tamara Gilreath's husband) Colorado, Jonathan Loper (Stan & Kathy Tucker's son-in-law) Washington, D.C.
TEXAS AIR NATIONAL GUARD	Terry Ellison (Robert & Linda Sanders's father of grandchildren), Afghanistan

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## Church Staff

**Baron Eliason**.....Pastor  
**Matt Mitchell**.....Associate Pastor  
**Larissa Jenkins**.....Preschool/Daycare Director  
**Leslie Roach**.....Children's Ministries Director  
**Kristin Montgomery**.....Early Childhood Min. Coord.  
**Shawn Mayo**.....Youth Director  
**Logan Bennett**.....Student Ministries Co-Coordinator  
**Jill Kiesel**.....Student Ministries Co-Coordinator  
**JR Cochran**.....College Ministry Director  
**Boyce Wyrick**.....Music Director  
**Matt Spitsberg**.....Worship Arts Director

**Don Smith**.....Organist  
**Bruce MacNair**.....Church Administrator  
**Ricki Feagan**.....Pastor's Secretary  
**Sharon Sturman**.....Part-Time Financial Secretary  
**Jan Collier**.....Church Administrative Assistant  
**Tami Hodnett**.....Part-Time Media Coordinator  
**Freddie Bryant**.....Custodian  
**Rosa Aleman**.....Housekeeper  
**Joe Sarratt**.....Part-Time Custodian  
**Robert Sanders**.....Night Sexton

## Worship Times

### Sundays

9:00am.....Contemporary Worship  
 10:00am.....Sunday School for Children  
 Fellowship Time for Adults  
 10:15am.....Sunday School for Adults  
 11:00am.....Traditional Worship

### Wednesdays

5:30pm.....Supper (with reservation)  
 Family Ministry Center  
 6:00pm.....Wednesday Nite Live

Return service requested.

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