

# THIS WEEK at Word of Life

All events at church building unless noted otherwise.

## Sunday, September 17

How to BLESS Your Neighbor - The Jesus Mission  
Traditional Worship  
8:30 am

Contemporary Worship with Sunday School  
9:45 am Livestream available at [www.wordoflife4u.com/watch](http://www.wordoflife4u.com/watch)

Ruth & Esther Study  
9:45 am Front Classroom

Contemporary Worship with Sunday School  
11:00 am

How to BLESS Your Neighbor  
11:00 am Front Classroom

Confirmation Parents Orientation  
4:00 pm Front Classroom

How to BLESS Your Neighbor  
4:00 pm Middle Classroom

How to BLESS Your Neighbor - Youth  
4:45 pm Weissmann's (108 Rustic Trail, Cibolo)

How to BLESS Your Neighbor  
5:00 pm Front Classroom

Wednesday, September 20  
How to BLESS Your Neighbor  
10:00 am Front Classroom

Financial Peace University  
6:30 pm Front Classroom

How to BLESS Your Neighbor - Men  
7:00 pm Middle Classroom

Thursday, September 21  
How to BLESS Your Neighbor - Couples  
7:00 pm Peterson's (2839 Pond Apple, Schertz)

Saturday, September 23  
How to BLESS Your Neighbor - Women  
9:00 am Mitschke's (1531 Jasmine Dr., Schertz)

Sunday, September 24  
How to BLESS Your Neighbor - Begin with Prayer  
Traditional Worship  
8:30 am

Contemporary Worship with Sunday School  
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## THIS WEEK!

### Financial Peace University

According to a study by the Ramsey Solutions research team, 40% of Americans say their financial situation has caused them to lose sleep in

the past month. If that's you, it's time to make a change. Take the first step and take control of your finances by signing up for Financial Peace University at [www.wordoflife4u.com/fpu](http://www.wordoflife4u.com/fpu) or scan the QR code.

Class begins this Wednesday, **Sept. 20**, at **6:30 pm** in the front classroom. Registration is \$99.99 and includes the course workbook, one year of access to Financial Peace University and three months of access to the premium version of EveryDollar. Active duty military receive a free one year trial. Questions? Jerry Johnson 315-286-9220 or Ed Herrera 210-452-1588.



## Community Garden

Several people have discussed the idea of hosting a community garden here at Word of Life. A community garden is a piece of land gardened or cultivated by a group of people individually or collectively. Before we take the next steps, we want to determine the level of interest in this project. If you would be interested in learning more, please connect with Chris Stemmermann, [chris@wordoflife4u.com](mailto:chris@wordoflife4u.com) or 210-240-0263.

## RACAP Needs

The Randolph Area Christian Assistance Program (RACAP) provides emergency assistance to people in need. They currently need: Canned Pasta Meals, Meat Helpers, Canned Fruit, Rice, Canned Tomatoes, Spaghetti Sauce, Cereal, Soup, Jelly, Diapers (size 4/5/6), Mac & Cheese. Please leave donated items in the blue RACAP bin in the lobby. Monetary donations are also needed. Write a check to Word of Life Fellowship and put 'RACAP' in the memo line or place cash in a RACAP envelope.



# Word of Life Fellowship

September 17, 2023

8:30 Traditional

9:45 Contemporary

11:00 Contemporary

213 Coy Lane

Cibolo, Texas 78108

210-566-2237

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## Welcome!

We respect and welcome people of every race, culture, status and religious background. We're first and foremost Christian and Christ-centered. Secondly, we are part of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, an international church body

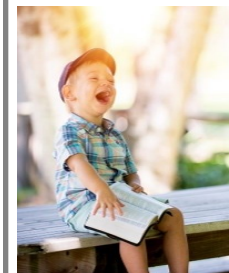
which stands on the authoritative Word of God, upholds God's law and proclaims the Gospel which offers God's free gifts of forgiveness, a better life now and heaven forever. All this and more are received by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone.

## Children's Ministry

We are so happy you have brought your children to worship today. After the Children's Message in both contemporary services, children (Infants—6th grade) are invited to attend age appropriate Sunday School classes:

- Movers & Shakers—Infant thru 3 yr old,
- JAM (Jesus & Me)—4 yr old thru 3rd grade,
- 'Tweens—4th thru 6th grade.

Children may be picked up from their classroom at the end of the worship service.



A Nursery room is available in the yellow classroom through the door under the left screen. Children's Activity Bags are available in the lobby. They include activity books, coloring sheets, crayons and more. Please return the bags to the "tree" after the service.

### Building a Bigger Heaven in Texas

This week we're praying for missionary Pastor Ted Doering and the people of Narrative as they reach out to people in Round Rock, TX and beyond. We support their work through gifts given to Texas Partners in Mission (TPIM).



### Operation Backpack

With the start of the school year, we're also restarting Operation Backpack. Word of Life, in partnership with Communities in Schools, provides shelf-stable food for children in need each week of the school year. Volunteers purchase food items which are delivered to

several local schools and distributed to children identified by the Communities in Schools representative on campus. There are often more kids in need than we have volunteers available. Now is the time to volunteer for the new school year. If you would like to help, contact Margie Dominguez, kindermeister@mail.com or 210-637-9440.

### GriefShare

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. It may be hard for you to feel optimistic about the future right now. Groups meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life.

We plan to start a group this fall. Possible meeting times are: **Option #1:** Sunday afternoon/evening; **Option #2:** Tuesday evening; or **Option #3:** Saturday afternoon/evening. If you would be interested in joining the group, please rank these options on your Info Slip. Just note them in the prayer section. Questions? Jagee Valentine, 210-383-2864.



### Snacks & Coffee

Join us for coffee, tea, and assorted snacks after each of the morning services. Have a snack you want to share? Feel free to bring it!



### What If You Could Change the World Without Changing Your Daily Routine?

When you've been transformed by God's love, you can't help but want others to experience the same grace and freedom. But how do you share it without scaring them away or offending them?

How to BLESS Your Neighbor is an organic, Biblical, more authentic way to share your faith with your friends, neighbors, coworkers and fellow students.

Everyone is strongly encouraged to join a BLESS group during this whole congregation emphasis to learn five simple, straightforward practices which will help you authentically share your faith:

#### Begin with Prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Story

The BLESS series begins TODAY. Please sign up on the Info Slip to indicate which group you will attend.

Unless otherwise indicated, all groups are for adults and meet in the front classroom at church.

#### Starting TODAY! - Sundays

- 11:00 am Melody Dunaway
- 4:00 pm Tammy Weissmann (middle classroom)
- 4:45 pm Kylyn Stark YOUTH (108 Rustic Trail)
- 5:00 pm Pastor Ken

#### Wednesdays

- 10:00 am Kara Latimer
- 7:00 pm Mark Stemmermann MEN (middle classroom)

#### Thursdays

- 7:00 pm Greg Peterson COUPLES (2839 Pond Apple)

#### Saturdays

- 9:00 am Patti Mitschke WOMEN (1531 Jasmine Dr)

#### Starts Next Sunday (9/24)

- 9:45 am Jim Weissmann

It's not too late to sign up for a BLESS group! All study materials will be provided in the LifeGroups. However, if you would like to purchase one of the highly recommended BLESS books, copies are available on the resource table in the lobby for \$14 each. Place your cash or check in a resource table envelope and drop it in the offering box.

### A Beautiful Testimony

On September 5, Billy Morrison received his heavenly reward after a difficult battle with cancer. We've been praying for him and his family since his diagnosis back in December of 2021. While we continue to pray for Billy's wife and children and all who are grieving his passing, we also celebrate his amazing testimony. Just before his death, a reporter for the San Antonio Express News met with Billy and his family and shared his beautiful story. Read the online version by scanning the QR code.



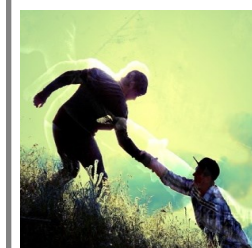
### Need a Friend?

Stephen Ministers are trained in topics including listening, feelings, assertiveness, and confidentiality. They minister to people in transitional situations such as divorce, terminal illness, grief and childbirth. Stephen Ministers are also trained to recognize

when a care receiver's needs go beyond the care a Stephen Minister can provide and know where the care receiver may seek additional care. Confidentiality is a cornerstone of Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers don't reveal what their care receivers have told them: not to the pastor, not to Stephen Leaders, not to spouses or friends, and not to other Stephen Ministers. Want to know more? Call Tammy Weissmann, 210-314-3754 or Becky Peterson, 210-240-7776.

### YouTube Link

View our Sunday morning worship on YouTube when you are traveling or unable to attend in person: [www.youtube.com/@wordoflife4u](http://www.youtube.com/@wordoflife4u)



### Care Contacts

- Prayer Chain:** Jayme Edwards, 210-382-5711
- Meals for Ill or Grieving:** Carrie Johnson, 315-286-0456
- Hospitalization, Surgery, Major Illness, Pastoral Care:** Pastor Ken, 210-862-7629