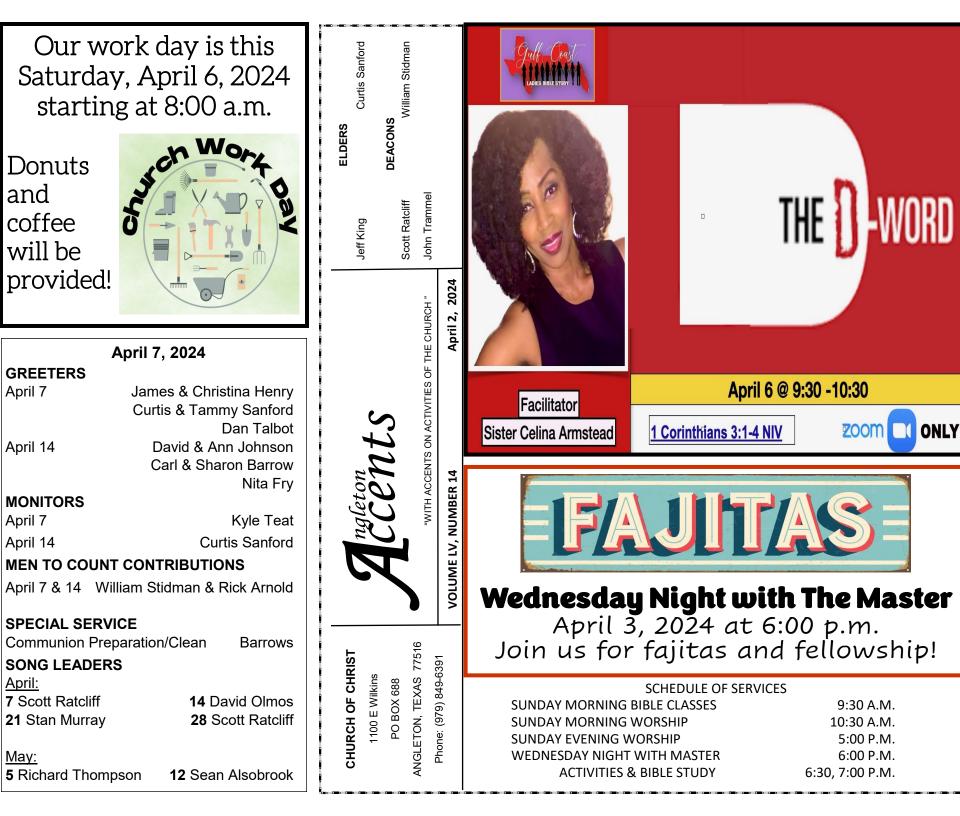
March 31, 2024 116 A.M. Worship Contribution \$6.049.00 Weekly Budget \$5,884.00 THOSE WHO SERVE April 7 April 14 LOCK BUILDING Gerry Austin Gerry Austin0 **PROJECTOR AM Curtis Sanford** Joel Sarabia John Trammel Quincey Trammel SCRIPTURE READING **Roger Peltier** David Johnson FIRST PRAYER Jeff King Larry Timaeus LORD'S SUPPER Gerry Austin James Henry Darrin Griffith Gary Faycosh Stephen Bailey Kyle Teat David Johnson Taylor Rieck **Quincey Trammel** Larry Timaeus William Stidman Carl Barrow Drew Stidman Ceasar Vereen James Carr Joe Davis **Brian Casey** Lucas Byrd Randy Wilkinson **Rick Arnold CLOSING COMMENTS** Curtis Sanford Curtis Sanford **CLOSING PRAYER** James Carr Joe Davis EVENING **PROJECTOR PM** Caleb Griffith Ethan Anderson Drew Stidman **Brian Casey** SCRIPTURE READING John Trammel Gerry Austin FIRST PRAYER Joe Maywald Dan Talbot LORD'S SUPPER James Henry Joe Maywald William Stidman Carl Barrow **CLOSING PRAYER** Scott Ratcliff **Curtis Sanford**



FROM THE PREACHER'S DESK

I don't know who Glenn Elliot is, but I came across this article and thought it was something we could all benefit from. May God bless you and the rest of this week! - David

"Give or Take" by Glenn Elliot

Give or Take

Two basic philosophies of life boil down to a single question: "Are you a giver or a taker?" Does your life revolve around getting or giving? We live in an age of entitlement. Many have been deceived into believing that we are the center of the universe - that our perceived needs must be met by those around us - by the government. by the church, and by society itself. If slighted, overlooked, or offended in any way, we have been conditioned to believe that it is our right to take by force what we believe should rightfully belong to us. This godless, anarchist behavior is symptomatic of a moral and spiritual sickness infecting our society with greater and greater pervasiveness and, left to run its course unchecked, will bring an end to what was once was a great nation.

But, these rather ominous tones can be quickly brought into balance by reflecting upon the true source of every blessing, God Himself. Scripture reminds us that "Every good thing given and



every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow" (Jas. 1:17). God displays His love and generosity by giving what inherently belongs to Him (Ps. 24:1). The government has nothing to give but what has been received from the populace through taxation. Governing authorities exist for the purpose of punishing evildoers, including those who recklessly and violently abandon moral restraint in pursuit of their own desires (Rm. 13:1-6). When a government ignores its sacred stewardship, it will answer to God in real time.

While Christians live in the world, they are not of the world (Jn. 15:19; 1 Jn. 5:19). While we acknowledge having been given life and breath and all things from His Majesty in the heavens (Acts 17:28), as His children we want to develop a give rather than take mentality. As stewards of the manifold grace of God, we serve others through the strength and resources of God (1 Pet. 4:10-11). This makes for a happy, joyous, and purposeful life. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). This is the kind of life He will reward when we stand before Him in judgment (Mt. 25:34-36). Give it some thought. Are you a giver or a taker?

YOUTH GROUP

THERE WILL BE A YOUTH DEVO AT THE CHURCH BUILDING THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH, AFTER EVENING WORSHIP.

Youth Minister update:

On April 7th & April 14th, we have invited 2 potential youth minister candidates to come interview with our congregation. Please make plans to attend worship service to meet them and hear them preach.

Sunday April 7th at 4:00 p.m. there will be a Q&A meeting with Brandon Aguilar. We encourage youth parents, as well as all members to attend!

Camp Bandina June 2–8 for 6th-12th graders.

Camper fee: \$180 Additional camper (same family): \$160 Pre-camper fee: \$50 If you have any questions contact Curtis or

Tammy Sanford.

Register at:

www.bandina-cecilhutsonsession.com

Camp Awesome July 31-August 4 for 3rd– 6th graders Camper fee: \$160 Volunteer fee: 125 If you would like to host one of our youth minister candidates, Brandon (4/5-4/7) or Jonah and his fiancé, Darla (4/12-4/14), in your home while



they are here visiting, please see John Trammel or Scott Ratcliff.

Ladies Day April 27, 2024 starting at 8:30 a.m. Hosted at the Graeber Road Church of Christ.



There will be a Men's Bible Study this Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. We will be continuing our study on Romans 8.





Lucille Hudgins is slowly continuing to recover from knee replacement surgery... Mary Miller is having eye surgery on both eyes 4/19/24... Tammy Sanford fractured her arm... Patsy Kita, mother of Karen Ratcliff, is having respiratory issues.