



# Kelham Korner

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Wednesday, May 28, 2025

## *Prayer* God Is Faithful Newer Requests

Sue Brockman—church neighbor, well-being  
 Gary Goree—pray for surgery on his left eye  
 Tina Imhoff & Family—bereavement  
 Leo—8-month-old heart surgery (Handley's friend)  
 Floyd & Twila Howard—thanksgiving  
 Toni Huntley—guidance  
 Carol Kimberlin—continued recuperation in rehab  
 Littleton family—*unspoken*  
 David May—health/thanksgiving  
 Chris McEver

*Ron Meek's Aunt Aileen—health & well-being*

*Ron Meek's neighbor*

Tom Montgomery & wife (Bob's brother)

Katie Myers (Konner's mom)—health

Del Wilburn (Kathy Rattan's father)—declining health

## Ongoing Prayer Needs

Glenda & Tom Anderson—health & well-being

Beverly & Mike Beardain—health/memory;

Chad Beardain, thanksgiving

Shelley & Allen Cloud—health

Bette Fehrle—health

Mark Handley's son & his brother, Tracy

Mitzi and Roger Hembree—health

Danny Imhoff—health

Margaret Keillor, wife of pastor's friend—radiation

Pam & Ron Sherrod

David Smith—friend of Mark Handley, heart issues

Sawyer Vincent—Danny and Tina's grandson—health

Becca Rocco's sister-in-law, Kathy Ketter

Government officials

## PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM Military

Heather Riggins; Floyd & Twila Howard's grandson

## Our Homebound

Sam Castleberry

Lloyd and Joan Dickerson (Burleson, TX)

Donna Shick, Carol Kimberlin's mother (Grace, Bethany)

Justine Hoel (Bellevue, Room 446A)

## Our College Students & Graduates

Hallie Benedict—Wichita State University

Madi Montgomery—Wichita State University

Donavon Pietzsch—North Texas State University

Mieka Pietzsch—University of Oklahoma

Makenna Vess—OCCC

Kaylie & Mikah Rocco, Harper Montgomery

*For addresses and phone numbers call the office.*

*"The effectual fervent prayer of a  
 righteous man availeth much" (James 5:13)*

## May Birthdays

30 Claud Holland

## June Birthdays

4 Debi Thompson

Ginger Adams

5 Hallie Benedict

Phil Rattan

7 Dale Allen

Claudia Montgomery

11 Kimi Snipes

12 Linda Phillips

13 Chris Fitzpatrick

Michael Kimberlin

19 Sam Castleberry

22 Harper Montgomery

25 Verda Holland

26 Kelly Witten

30 Mike Beardain



**We need donations for  
 food for Falls Creek.  
 Youth camp is July 7.**

**Cost: \$115 for church members;  
 \$135 for nonmembers**

<b>Stewardship</b> for Morning	<b>5/25/2025</b>
Budget Receipts:	\$7,221.90
Weekly Budget Required:	\$3,894.57
Over/Under:	\$3,327.33
Camp Food:	\$653.00
T.A.B.:	\$20.00
Operation Christmas Child:	\$300.00
Mothers Day Offering:	\$35.00

## Congratulations to Konnor Myers—

Konner graduates May 30 from Metro  
 Tech's BPOC (Basic Peace Officer  
 Certification Academy). This is a 17-  
 week course to train and certify peace  
 officers.

The graduation ceremony is this Friday  
 at 2 PM at the South Bryant Campus of  
 Metro Tech, 4901 S. Bryant.

*Photo: Whatever was in those  
 maracas, they did wonders for  
 Wayne. His health has im-  
 proved dramatically since his  
 Cinco de Mayo trip to Dallas.*



# Remembering

**Memorial Day originated** to commemorate those who gave their lives during the War Between the States. Debates still rage over the specific origin—whether Confederate women in Columbus, MS, began the remembrance by decorating graves (it was originally called "Decoration Day") or whether a former Union General and member of Congress from Illinois, John A. Logan (who was the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, the leading veterans organization for former Union soldiers). Other localities claim precedence, including Macon, GA, Richmond, VA, Boalsburg, PA, and Carbondale, IL, the home of General Logan. Few realize that when President Lincoln gave the Gettysburg address in November 1863 at the cemetery for those who had been killed in the battle, the battlefield still held gruesome reminders of the epic confrontation from July. The *Adams Sentinel* of Gettysburg noted in its edition of November 24: "The ground in these vicinities is yet strewn with remains and relics of the fearful struggle – ragged and muddy knapsacks, canteens, cups, haversacks, threadbare stockings trodden in the mud, old shoes, pistols, holsters, bayonet sheaths, and here and there fragments of gray and blue jackets . . . hides and skeletons of horses still remain upon the ground. Grave marks of unrecognized heroes were in every quarter of the field, and rows of graves ranged along the line of the stone or wooden fences" (<https://www.essentialcivilwarcurriculum.com/the-gettysburg-address.html>).

**All wars leave their mark**—whether on landscapes, homes, or hearts. The War Between the States saw an estimated 620,000 to 750,000 total deaths. It was the deadliest conflict in American history. Only, if that's a word to be used when discussing such a number, an estimated 32,000 died in the Revolutionary War against Great Britain. The Civil War saw lightly less than 300,000 Confederate deaths and an estimated almost 370,000 Union deaths with an additional almost 200,000 Confederate and 280,000 Union wounded. Debates still continue on these figures since so many soldiers were buried where they fell, and cemeteries and gravesites are scattered throughout woods, fields, and towns in little known places.

**World War I with its static battle lines**, brutal trench warfare, and poison gas, saw an estimated 40 million civilian and military casualties and about 23 million military wounded. It was supposed to be "the war that will end war," drawing the phrase from a booklet of essays written by H. G. Wells for London newspapers during the war. Wells blamed German militarism for the war, and subsequent history in World War II reinforced that concept, planting deep in the psyche of Europeans (and Germans) the idea that there was some basic flaw of Teutonic character that produced war. The Soviets and many others in Europe

strongly opposed the reunification of Germany for that very reason.

**World War I was a shock to the system.** The Nineteenth Century and early Twentieth Century had produced such progress with countless inventions created to improve human life. The telegraph, the typewriter, and the telephone speeded communication immeasurably. McCormick had invented a viable mechanical reaper to speed up harvest and processing of wheat and food grains. A mechanical corn planter had been invented. An ether refrigerator was patented, the precursor to the modern refrigerator. Samuel Colt produced the first multishot revolver. Prior to that soldiers had cap-and-ball guns that could fire only one shot without a time-consuming reload. That changed forever the American West but it also boded ill for the future of warfare. The sewing machine was patented and the safety pin. Pasteur developed pasteurization, making milk safer to consume over longer periods of time. Yale invented the cylinder lock, and Otis patented elevator safety brakes. But Nobel invented dynamite. Edison invented the incandescent light bulb. Benz patented an internal combustion engine, and Daimler created the first four-wheeled car.

**All this progress puffed up human expectations** of a golden age. Theologically, postmillennialism, the idea that man would bring world peace and then Jesus would return, held sway in most denominations. But World War I popped that bubble, leading to despair among many. "Dada," an artistic movement that focused on using deliberately incomprehensible performances and works designed to shock and bewilder, grew up in Europe. The name originated when a knife was inserted into a French-German dictionary and opened to a page with that word, which meant "hobby horse." It was totally irrational.

**World War I produced incredible English poetry**, however, and one of the works, "For the Fallen," by Laurence Binyon, is worth reading. Binyon, an English poet and scholar, served as a Red Cross orderly and then in a French military hospital during the war. These words from that poem and those they memorialize are worth remembering this Memorial Day.

*They went with songs to the battle, they were young,  
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.  
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted;  
They fell with their faces to the foe.  
They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.*

**We owe a depth of gratitude** to those who gave their lives that we might enjoy freedom. Yet even more do we owe to the One who gave His life that we might have freedom from sin and eternal life. We await His return when peace will rule. He only is the Prince of Peace.

**Brother Gary**

