



2022



ENGAGED IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION
De Soto Baptist Church

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FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

While beginning to recover from my own personal experience with Covid, which for me seems to be similar to past experience with illness related to the Flu, I was lying on the bed going through one of my eyedrop regimens required after cataract surgery and I didn't feel much like doing anything. Mary Etta came to tell me that Kim Ingalls, our church Secretary, called to remind me of this article due the 20th. I thought to myself, "Oh no, what am I going to write about???" As I lay there thinking with the three minutes between each drop I suddenly recalled a thought provoking statement sent to us by Steve Thompson, a former member of the church during his youth. This gave me a purpose and a desire to write this article, and I got out of bed and went to my recliner with renewed energy!!!

Here's the statement . . . THE WORLD TODAY IS JUST LIKE PHAROH. HE FEARED THE PLAGES, BUT DIDN'T FEAR GOD. BIG MISTAKE!

This is a catchy way to remind us that the Bible is quite clear about the wisdom of fearing God. (Proverbs 9:10) The history of the Hebrew people reveals this and the extreme importance of this Biblical pronouncement to our welfare. The lesson we gain from this is nothing new, and it is quite clear. It takes us back to God's directives, or commandments, which when ignored does have serious consequences. I'm referring specifically to Exodus 20, verses 3 & 8, about putting no other gods before God, and keeping the Sabbath Day Holy.

It is worth noting that the turning away from God doesn't take place over night, but can be over a period of years of little by little disregarding God's directives and finding ourselves where we are today . . . a Nation in great disarray with different gods pulling us in many directions, none of which demonstrate respect for the one true God. What is true of a Nation is also true for each of us personally. In the teachings of Jesus He clearly applies this same principle to our personal lives. His Sermon on the Mount concludes with the Parable of the Wise man and the Foolish man and the consequences of whether or not we decide to let Christ be the foundation upon which we seek to build our lives.

May God help us to keep the light of truth before us, knowing that it cannot be overcome by darkness. In love and trust for God's love & leading . . .

Pastor Richard





NO Church closings this year!!

ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 11AM

A recording of each service will still be available and posted to the website Sunday afternoons.

Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

or on our Facebook account

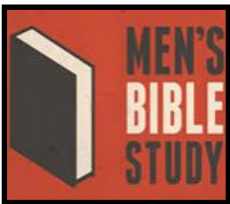


De Soto Kansas Baptist Church



AUDIO CDs OF WORSHIP SERVICES AVAILABLE

We know that there are some of you who are not always able to view the services on-line. If you would like an audio version of the services to play at home, or even in your car, let Pastor Copeland or Jeff Hodges know and they will begin to deliver a CD to you each week. If you would like to have this available but do not have a way to play the CD this can be worked out as well.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month at 6:30 pm
Meeting in the Copeland Center

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DOERS OF THE WORD IN FEBRUARY

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Church Basement

Please join us - you need no special books or preparation, but reading the Parable for the Week will make your involvement and discussion even more significant.

We have a wonderful group of women joining our discussions each week. If you have any questions, contact MaryEtta Copeland or Karen Wall.



CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, February 9th

7:00 pm

All Members Welcome to Attend!





A MOMENT WITH JO

Sing to the Lord

ECCLESIASTES 4:9,10, 12

TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE, BECAUSE THEY HAVE A GOOD REWARD FOR THEIR LABOR, FOR IF THEY FALL, ONE WILL LIFT UP HIS COMPANION.
12 THOUGH ONE MAYBE OVER POWERED BY ANOTHER, TWO CAN WITHSTAND HIM, AND A THREEFOLD CORD IF NOT QUICKLY BROKEN;

2022 is quite a year for us, John will be 87 on February 15, our 60th anniversary is a few days later, and i will be 80 in May; John and I often thank our dear Father that He has blessed us and taken such wonderful care of us and our family. Jesus, Yeshua, has been that threefold cord that has kept us bound to Him.

When we were first married, we lived in Denver, CO. I was attending the University of Denver and learning to be a wife, which I so enjoyed, but I was homesick for Mother and Daddy, 3 younger siblings, and 2 married older sisters, so John said we would go to Hartford for Easter. He then told me that we were going to a nice department store and buy a new outfit. Do you remember that we used to do that? When we arrived at the store, John informed me that I should buy also a hat, shoes, and purse to go with a new suit. Oh my, that had never happened to me as there were 6 children in the family. I asked him, "can we really afford all of this"? Shortly after all of this happening, he told me that since he was 7 years older than I and would probably outlive him, I needed to know and take care of finances and check writing.

After sixty years, I am still doing it. Rather sneaky, don't you think?

Jo Sweatt

ALL WOMEN

SUNDAY, FEB. 20 12:15-2:15

COPELAND CENTER

Please Join us for another
SOUP and SUPER CONVERSATION

NOURISH YOUR
BODIES AND YOUR
SPIRITS!





CONGRATULATIONS To Our De Soto High School Hall of Fame Inductees!!



The De Soto High School Hall of Fame Inductees for 2022 were revealed this month, and we are so proud to announce that two of those inductees are also very important members of our De Soto Baptist Family. Rick Walker and Darrel Zimmerman will be inducted into the DHS Hall of Fame on Friday night, February 11, between the women's and men's basketball games at De Soto High School.

The DHS Hall of Fame was founded in 2017 with the first class being honored in January of 2018. Two of those original HOF inductees are our own Richard and Mary Etta Copeland. Two years ago, Patsy Lucas Allenbrand was also inducted as part of the HOF Class of 2020.

The Inductees are primarily graduates of De Soto High School, but can be former teachers, coaches, sponsors, or community members who have made significant contributions to our school and community above and beyond the norm. The categories for this nomination are: Academics, Activities & Athletics, Coaches & Sponsors, and Distinguished Service.

Darrell and Rick are both graduates of DHS and have made significant contributions not only to our schools, but also to so many aspects of our community. We encourage you to give them a "pat on the back" as well as attending the Induction Ceremony that will be held at mid-court between the women's and men's basketball games on Friday, February 11. There will be a welcoming reception at the school following the presentation. Specifics of time and place will be shared at a later date.

If you have a graduate, former student, teacher, coach or community member whom you believe deserves to be considered for the Hall of Fame, you can contact Ryan Johnson, Activities Director, De Soto High School, and obtain a nomination form. All applications are evaluated by a committee formed of present and past teachers and administrators as well other community members.

Congratulations again to these outstanding leaders in our community!



Due to CoVid restrictions we are unable to have our traditional Souper Bowl of Soup lunch. We will be collecting cans of soup for the De Soto Food Panty through the month of February. Requested is NO TOMATO SOUP as they have plenty of this on hand.

DE SOTO FOOD PANTRY Donations Needed

Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned Fruit & Applesauce
- Dried beans
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Box meals (*like Hamburger helper*)
- Tuna (*canned meat*)
- Personal items (*shampoo, razors*)
- Toilet paper

Donations bins are located at Harps & Great American Bank or can be dropped off at the Food Pantry during regular hours.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail your check to: De Soto Food Pantry, 32905 W 84th, De Soto, KS 66018.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesdays — 10 am to 12 pm

Thursdays — 4 pm to 6 pm

Saturdays — 9 am to 11 pm

The food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.



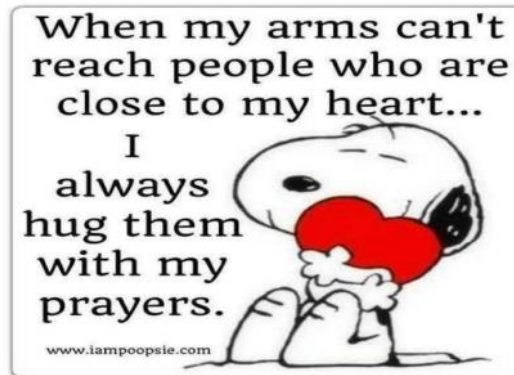
TITHES & OFFERINGS

THANK YOU!!!

For submitting Tithes and Offerings to:

DeSoto Baptist Church

PO Box E - DeSoto, KS 66018



ONE DE SOTO RELIEF FUND

For citizens of De Soto affected by COVID-19

The De Soto Food Pantry has created a fund called *One De Soto Relief Fund*. This fund is available for those negatively affected by COVID-19. We offer help for those that had a loss of income or increased medical bills.



For more information, visit our website at www.desotoksfoodpantry.wordpress.com

Thank you for your support!



February 2022

De Soto Baptist Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	
6 Communion Sunday	7 6:30 PM Doers & Men's Bible Study	8	9 6:30 Deacon & Trustees Meeting 7:00 Church Business Meeting	10 11	12	
13	14 	15	16 17	18	19	
20	21 6:30 PM Doers & Men's Bible Study 	22	23 24	25	26	
27	28					

Engaged in the Ministry of Reconciliation

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Above
else ^{all} love
each other
deeply
- 1 Peter 4:8