



# ONE

*"My prayer is...that all of them  
may be one, Father, just as you  
are in me and I am in you...so  
that the world may believe that  
you have sent me."  
- John 17:20-21*

## One Body for One Community

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### Save the Date!

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> –  
Waller Christmas Festival,  
from 12 noon – 6pm

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
– Waller Wonderland  
Market

Dear Family and Friends,

The signs of fall are here! We are truly thankful for the rain and the slightly cooler temperatures.



In fact, speaking of cooler temperatures – winter visited us early this year. We had SNOW in our backyard for Jael's 6th birthday! ☺ All right, all right, so we had to buy it, but it was still just as fun! Our sweet little big girl, decided to theme her party around the white snow and dress as a winter fairy. She's so creative! While most were throwing snowballs, Josiah built a snowman all on his own, even though he'd never done it before and had no adult telling him how to build it. So smart! Everyone had so much fun playing in the snow. In fact, some of the adults had just as much fun as the kids. It was definitely a party

to remember.

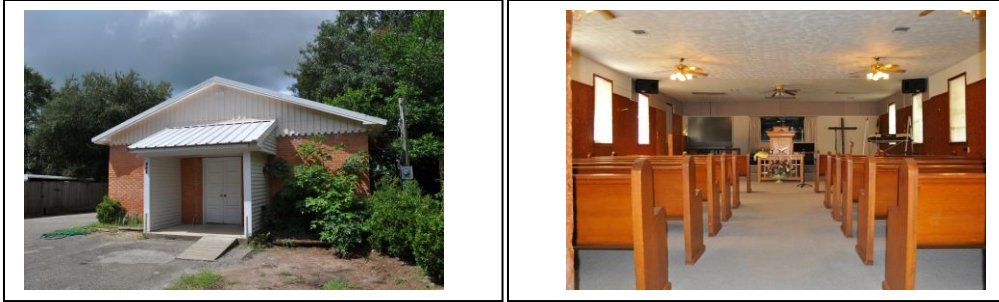
We'd also like to share a picture from Elijah's Baby Dedication. It was held on August 18<sup>th</sup> at Waller Revival Center. (We had to hold it somewhere else because our office would have been overcrowded for such a special service). Don Hazelwood did an amazing job leading the dedication, giving words of encouragement and talking about the prophet Elijah and aspirations for our Elijah. And his wife, Cheri, covered our



sweet baby with prayers of blessing and life. We are so grateful! And to give you an update, Elijah is now a big six months old, and truly enjoying eating baby cereal, trying to learn to crawl, and watching the silly antics of his siblings.



God has been so incredibly good to us, and we'd love to share with you yet another of His amazing blessings! We've been given a church building! Yes, you read that right – *given!* The church that was meeting in Waller Revival Center (where we held Elijah's Baby Dedication) was thinking of closing their doors (with only a few members left). Instead of that, they decided to pass the church on to us! What an unbelievable thing to happen! And, to make things even more amazing, the church building is only one block from our house! We couldn't have even dreamed up a better scenario. God is truly a creative and loving provider!



In the last newsletter, we had mentioned that we would be offering y'all another opportunity to get involved with us in our ministry. Well, with the new church, here's your new opportunity. We ask that you please pray for us as we clean and organize the building, as we learn our legal responsibilities, and especially as we continue to minister to our small congregation. The operating cost of Waller Revival Center is about \$500 per month. If you feel led to be a part of supporting us financially, please let us know. Also, if you'd enjoy hearing Traci lead music and/or Joel preach, we welcome you to join us on any Sunday night, beginning at 5pm.

We also mentioned in our last newsletter, that we were partnering with Toys for Tots for the next several months. For every dollar people spend buying Melissa & Doug toys from us, we will match up to \$500 and donate that many toys to Toys for Tots each month. We are pleased to say that we have met our goal for both August and September, and now we plan to be able to meet our goal in both October and November. If you'd like to be a part of this, call (713-899-3215) or email ([joel@missionwaller.org](mailto:joel@missionwaller.org)) Joel. You can take a look at [melissaanddoug.com](http://melissaanddoug.com) to get an idea of what toys you'd like. Then, instead of ordering from that site, order from Joel (that way, we can get you a discount)! Remember, Christmas is right around the corner!

And, speaking of Christmas – we are gearing up for our part in the Waller Christmas Festival. It will be held on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 6pm, and will include craft booths, food booths, music and a Bethlehem Blvd. Though the city of Waller usually puts this event on by themselves, this year, they invited the Ministerial Alliance to help. The churches and ministries will be banding together to present a Bethlehem Blvd. (a progressive retelling of the nativity story) during the festival! We are incredibly excited for this opportunity! Please be praying for us as we plan, organize, prepare and rehearse for this important production. Traci will be directing, and the churches and ministries of the area will be volunteering their precious time to act, sing, host, set up, tear down, run sound and lights, and basically minister throughout the process.

This is such a great time of year, and we pray blessings over you and yours this fall. We'll be sending out another newsletter at the beginning of December to give you more information on the ministries/events in Christmas. We love you all!

With Love,

Joel and Traci Bauler  
And Jael & Josiah

Prayer Requests & Needs:

- ✝ ***Praise***...for our amazing, growing kids!
- ✝ ...the overwhelming things God is doing to bless us and the community of Waller.
- ✝ ...that God is constantly showing us the way.
- ✝ ***Pray***...that the Christians in our community would be united as "One."
- ✝ ...for discernment as we make decisions for our family and ministry.
- ✝ ...for our children to be healthy and for God to grow their character through our experiences.
- ✝ ...for us to be grateful for the times God is growing OUR character.
- ✝ ...for Elizabeth on her missionary journeys.
- ✝ ...for Traci's book to bless those that read it and draw them closer to God.