

Can you believe October is already here and the cool crisp mornings have definitely arrived. One of my favorite seasons is Fall, I think because for me it's a season of refreshing. The leaves stood in the heat of the summer and as they release and let go then new growth is prepared to be added to the limbs for the next season. It's amazing how God has created everything in such a beautiful and perfect way.

Last month I shared about the deer that has been trapped in our pasture ever since the fence was completed in our pasture a few months ago. Jason and I have continued to watch it and one evening when we drove down to the gate where the deer could normally be found. We caught the deer out in the pasture practicing jumping. Jason and I knew the moment we saw that baby out there leaping and gaining confidence with each jump it wouldn't be long before it would be reunited with its mom again.

Well, we are happy to announce that all the practicing has paid off. The deer now has been reunited with its family and they still come and hang out with our goats and pony. Each morning and evening you will find the family of four down by the goats enjoying the evening.

The baby pigs are getting big and growing extremely fast. Ryan and Addison will pick one out each to show in the Wagoner Junior Livestock Show around February.

We have a few new announcements that we are excited to share with our families. Jason and I have decided to expand our ministry after much prayer and pulling from God. So, we will be welcoming someone new to our team on November 1st, 2021, to help Jason with tasks that I normally would be doing. Where am I going? Not very far, I will still be found in the office but working more with our families after we have performed the services.

Over the past almost two years now since the pandemic hit God has showed me the grief that many are experiencing. With our new team member coming on board, it will allow me to not only continue to write

books, speak at funerals but will allow me the opportunity to have a once a week gathering at the funeral home.

I was going to have the gathering at our farm but our main road to the house is under construction and to keep everyone safe it would be best to hold the gathering at the funeral home until God opens something else up for us.

I was able to meet with my new editor for the books this past week and she was a blessing to get to know. We are projected to have the book “American Idols” released by November 1st, 2021! How exciting is that!! I never knew how many hours of work went into writing a book that’s why when you get one of my books, they are thin and not thick and directly to the point 😊

We will begin our weekly meetings November 6th, which is a Saturday at 10:00 a.m., at our chapel in Wagoner. I don’t have a name for the meeting yet 😊 all I know is God has asked me to hold the meeting and open our doors for people to gather and come together as one supporting one another. I will be the speaker each Saturday unless the Lord lays someone else on my heart. I would definitely bring a notebook and a sack lunch (I’m kidding on the lunch). The meeting will last right around an hour or until the Lord is done with us. If you must leave but the meetings still going, we completely understand so please just dismiss yourself and know that you are not interrupting anything.

Jason and I also want to remind you that if you haven’t pre-planned or don’t have life insurance and want to get the finances taken care on your cremation or burial, we are offering \$300 OFF for a limited time! If you already have life insurance but need a pre-need book to fill out your personal information, just call the office and request one to be mailed or stop by.

Also, we have joined with BodyFit Evolution in Wagoner and will be sponsoring a weight loss challenge. It really isn’t just about weight it’s

more about your overall wellbeing. When we experience grief or go through moments in history like a pandemic it takes a toll on us. So, this competition is focused on bringing people together and getting well, one day at a time. For more information call our office at 918-485-9525 and speak with Beth.

Please know if you need anything at all Jason and I are here for you anytime of the day. Again, thank you for trusting our family with yours when you needed someone the most.

Love, Jason & Anita Shipman