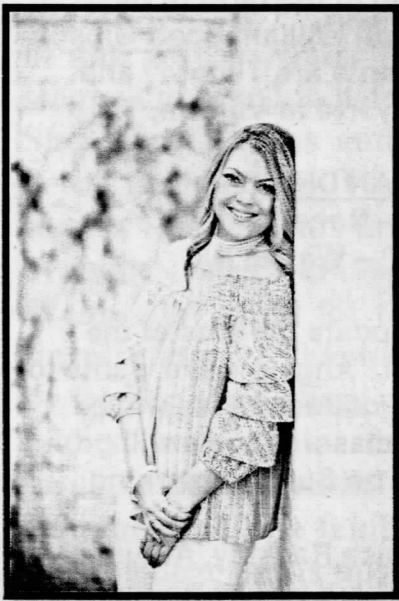


## “Getting to Know Our Grads”



Hi! I'm Autumn Elizabeth Steely, I'll be graduating from Central High School and will be attending Angelo State University to pursue my dream of being a Family Nurse Practitioner. After being diagnosed with Grave's disease

in April 2015 I knew I wanted to work in healthcare and somehow return my gratitude to others who also might experience a health crisis like I did.

I feel so blessed that I have grown-up in such a loving congregation here at Southgate. Southgate has given me so many opportunities to grow as a young Christian. To name a few; I've attended Camp Blue Haven every summer since 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and that is where I was baptized the summer of 2015. I've bonded and made lifelong friends with the youth group in Brownwood. Also I've been able to go to Impact in Houston every summer and help with the summer program that targets lower income families. And, this past March I went on my first mission trip to Costa Rica and in June I'll be going on another mission trip to Antigua. Thank you Southgate for giving me so many opportunities and for helping mold me into the Christian I am today.

I'll close by sharing my favorite verse Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." This is has been my favorite verse for quite some time.