



# Real Life News & Notes

*Patterson Road church of Christ*

*A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers*

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## GO

A very short and simple word. It involves an action that is sometimes very challenging and difficult. Often I would rather stay. I get tired of "going" sometimes. How about you? But Jesus himself said, "**Go** into all the world and preach the gospel" (Mark 16:15). And Jesus did practice what he preached. He was always on the "**go**"..."The Jesus **went** to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness" (Matthew 9:35).

As your "outreach minister" it has an especially personal application. It is true that we cannot all **go**. Paul wrote, "How can they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe without hearing about Him? And how can they hear without a preacher? And how can they preach unless they are **sent**?" (Romans 10:14). Some "**go**" others "**send**". We are all a part of the process.

Lord willing, Holly and I will be the ones "**going**" to Guam on January 20 to continue in our efforts to take the gospel to this tropical island. I want to thank the elders of this church for making this a part of my responsibilities. I want to thank all who contribute to this mission effort. A special word of thanks to my daughter Deborah and my son-in-law Santiago for contributing 70,000 of their hard earned award miles from United so that Holly can go "free". She will be a great help to me and to the mission effort. For us **GO** stands for **G**uam **O**utreach.

Some of the things **GO** means to us are as follows: **GO... Encourage** the members, both new and old, of the church on Guam, **share** the saving message of Jesus with both those who we have had previous contact and with new seekers, **organize** a youth group outing, **meet** with Vincente, Governor Calvo's aid, and with Austin, the Lt. Governor Tenario's aid, **visit** the various Police Precinct's to offer the support of the Police Chaplains, **ride alongs** with Police officers, **meet** with Dr. Curtis Rigsby, the philosophy Professor at the University of Guam, **encourage** the prison guards through speaking at their shift briefings (Matt King is drawing up some notes for me to take from his experience as a prison guard), attempt to find and **help the church on Saipan**, **encourage** the faith of Loida Park on Saipan who I met on Guam last July. We are ready to "**GO**".

Please pray for us that God will guide and protect us as we **go**. Next week in this space I plan on outlining some of our local 2015 outreach efforts and how you can help here. One of those efforts is our Men's Retreat with Don McLaughlin from North Atlanta, Georgia on February 27,28.

Thank you and God bless you, John Cooper

Memory Verse For January-Romans 6:4

"We too may live a new life"

## Our Gathering Today

### Sermon:

Last week there were several earthquakes in Oklahoma and Texas. Today we will read about an earthquake at Philippi. Each of us face "earthquakes" in our own lives. Things happen to us that can shake our very foundations. Often newness comes from the destruction of past structures. How can we deal with massive change and the challenge of newness? The title of the sermon today is "Embracing Newness". Jesus is all about bringing newness and positive change to old and decaying lives. The gospel is all about bringing newness; Healing, Hope, Healthiness and Happiness. May we leave here as renewed people as we continue in this New Year.

### Message From Doug

Hi Jimmye, Hope you all are well. I am blessed and glad to be able to be here with my sister and her family in Texas as they say goodbye to her husband Andy. I did the service yesterday (Thursday) and Tony said a few words too. I will head to TN tomorrow morning. Ann's mother is somehow still hanging on without fluids for over a week now. This has been very hard on Ann and her family as they sit constantly at her bedside and watch her dwindle away as her body struggles to remain when the spirit is ready to go to eternal life. We trust God's timing and know he will reclaim His daughter soon :-)

Please tell my church family I can feel their prayers. God's presence and peace is a precious daily gift! See you all soon.

Love and blessings,  
Doug

### Creative Christian Art Supply Swap Meet

The Art Guild will meet in the fellowship hall at 1 PM on January 18. An art supply swap is planned. Clean out your art cabinet, etc. for supplies you no longer want to keep and swap them for something you do need. Remember, one person's junk is another's treasure. See Cindi King with questions.

### Youth Camp Information

It's not too soon to start thinking about Youth Camp. Our youth are scheduled to use the facilities (weather permitting) **June 14-20**. The camp planners want to give a heads up that the fee will *most likely increase* this year. It has not gone up in price for more than 8 years and the camp charges more for food, propane, etc. has risen. We will post the exact increase well in advance of camp so your plans may be made.

### Auditorium Lights

The overhead lights in the auditorium are soon to be replaced by much brighter bulbs as soon as a lift can be secured. When that happens, we will be needing lots of help to get all the chairs out. Hopefully this will take place in the next couple of weeks so stay tuned for a call to service.

### Welcome

Today we welcome Matt and Kathleen Lee and two children Mitchell & Alaina. Matt is our new youth minister and we are excited to have them join our church family. They will be staying in the Fleming's house at 2233 Village Ct. until they find a place of their own. Welcome!! We are looking forward to working with you in His service..

Please keep the following prayer requests in your daily prayers. God moves when He hears from us, so your prayers are very important...Thank You!!

Keep the CLAYTON families in your ;prayers. Doug and Tony's sister's husband passed away and they have gone to be with the family there. Pray for comfort for the family and for safety in travel for them and any others that will be traveling there for services. Pray for God to bless them and especially their sister, Darlene in the loss of her husband. Also pray for Anne and her family, as she is in Tennessee. Her mom isn't expected to live much longer. Pray for comfort for her mom in her last days and for the family as they wait and care for her. Especially for Anne's dad. Pray also for safety as Doug travels to be with them later. Pray for God's peace and comfort for all of their family.

Continue for TOM ENGLISH....as he recovers from open heart surgery. Pray for healing and comfort for him. Prayers of thanksgiving for the safety of the children as they traveled here and for them as they go back to their homes, and also for the healing that has already taken place! Pray for comfort for his family and for Robin as she cares for him when he gets home from the hospital.

Pray for the victims of the radical Islam terrorists in the various places around the world. Pray for the families of those who have been killed, kidnapped, tortured or sold into slavery and their homes destroyed. Pray for their physical needs as well as for them to be able to stay strong in their faith. Pray for the humanitarian groups that are there to help the refugees...for their safety and for the help they need to care for all of those that are in the camps or the desert around the camps.

Pray for our military people who are in harms way. and for their families. Pray for physical and spiritual safety, for wisdom and insight to help them when in dangerous situations.

Pray for the missionaries around the world, especially for those in places where they are in physical danger, that they may bring many to the Lord.

ED RIDDLE—He will be going in on January 19 for hip replacement surgery.

Continue to pray for our nation and those newly elected officials that they will do their jobs in a way that will help the nation and the people, and that they will not look only to their own interests in their decisions. Pray for the president and his cabinet that they will also put aside selfish motives and get our nation back on track. Pray for all of our elected officials to turn to God for help in doing their jobs...and bring our nation back to the intent of the founding fathers. Also ask God to make known the people He wants elected in the 2016 elections.

Pray for all those who have on going illnesses. Pray for strength and comfort for them as they deal with their various issues. Pray for those caring for them and their medical care givers to do the right things to help their situations. Also for their families to have strength and peace during these times.

Prayers of Thanksgiving for the love and mercy of our all powerful God, who cares and sustains the Universe and us. For his answers to our prayers and for the knowledge that He keeps His promises and never leaves us. Praise and honor to His name.

## Youth News

### **Huddle**

Eddie and Vicky Tinkle will be hosting huddle this evening. Join us at 6:00 pm at their home in Orchard Mesa: 298 28 1/2 Rd. Guys bring desserts and girls bring drinks.

### **Coming THIS Week**

Matt Lee, our new youth minister, will arrive this week! Pray for Matt and his family as they travel and settle in.



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## For the Record

Jan 4, 2015

Attendance	264
Average Attendance, 4th qtr.	282
Contributions	\$8,393.00
Budget	\$7,035.38

## Communion Preparation—January

Leonard & Lynne Harvey

## Communion Table 1/11

Bud Treu

## Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in January

David Olree  
Brian Peacock  
Dale Pirtle  
Eric Pennal  
Ted Reaves  
Ed Riddle  
Tim Riddle  
Craig Roberts

## Announcements

Ron Wilson-January  
Scott Ferguson-February  
Curtis Fleming—March

## Sunday Morning Worship begins at 10:15 AM

### Sunday Morning Adult Classes—9:00 AM—9:45 AM

Bill Wade—Making a Worthy Christian Walk—Auditorium  
Vince Urbina, Book of Romans—103  
Young Adult (Under 30)—Room 207

### Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7– 8 PM

Doug Clayton—Auditorium

### Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

### Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2—Nursery  
2 & 3 yr. old—104  
Pre KK, Kindergarten—205  
1st & 2nd Grade—209  
3rd thru 5th Grade—208  
Middle School—213  
High School—203

2 & 4 yr. old—104  
Kindergarten 1st & 2nd—205  
3rd thru 5th Grade—208  
All teens meet in—203

## Sunday Morning Worship at Mesa View Retirement Center Starts At 10 A.M.

Jan 11	Bill Barslund, Scott DeLancey	Acts 2:22-41
Jan 18	Bill Tidwell, David Olree	Acts 2:42-47
Jan 25	Jerry Austin, Leonard Silence	Acts 3:1-10
Feb 1	Bob Howard, Dave Scheuerman	Acts 4:1-12
Feb 8	Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt	Acts 4:13-22
Feb 15	Bud Treu, Mike Hurd	Acts 4:32-36
Feb 22	Bill Barslund, Scott DeLancey	Acts 5:1-11
Mar 1	Bill Tidwell, David Olree	Acts 5:17-32
Mar 8	Jerry Austin, Leonard Silence	Acts 6:1-7
Mar 15	Bob Howard, Dave Scheuerman	Acts 7:51-8:3
Mar 22	Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt	Acts 8:4-25
Mar 29	Bud Treu, Mike Hurd	Acts 8:26-40

Visitors welcome.