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Real Life News & Notes

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

Patterson Road church of Christ



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Elder Of Month

Curtis Fleming

Our Gathering Today



Welcome Guests!

Thank you for being with us this morning! May you be spiritually fed and encouraged this morning by our simple gathering in the name of Jesus Christ as we sing, pray, share communion, encourage each other and open the Word of God together. Please enjoy the coffee, juice and donuts you will find in the fellowship hall.

View our web site at grandjunctionchurch.org and Face Book page **Church of Christ of Grand Junction to discover a little more about us.

Feeding on the Word!

I trust you are being fed by engaging the inspired text and tracking Jesus as we walk through Luke's account of the Good News together! This morning we may see ourselves in a story told in response to a Religious Law Expert (Know any of those?) who is not only trying to "justify" himself but test Jesus as well...that's a lose, lose confrontation for sure! **Dr. Luke** defines what the **greatest command** actually looks instead of what it just sounds like on our lips. See you in Luke 10 in a while. *Thanks for bringing your Bibles (Paper or electronic Swords :-)*

Good Samaritans!!

- Since Melva doesn't like her name mentioned I won't mention her 😊, but THANKS to **all the precious ladies** who prepared, brought and served (and cleaned up after) the yummy meal following Jim Wilkins' memorial this past week! Also, Thanks to **AdaMarie Vorse and Joe Jones** who went out of their way when they heard of a need and filled it in the *teck booth* during the memorial! We are blessed by so many unselfish and compassionate hearts in our church family!

- **Bible Class Teachers** of all ages, but we are especially appreciative for those who are so dedicated to consistently **teaching our little ones and filling their hearts** with the wonderful, life giving stories from God's word in **Bible classes, Children's Church and Thursday School!** You all are planting the best of all seed!

"When you are saying you want to feel good, what you really are saying is you want to feel God: I want my thoughts to be the same as the source from which I came."

- *Wayne Dyer*

Love One Another!

Memory Verse For February: Numbers 6:24

"The Lord bless you and keep you;

Prayer Check pt. 2

Have you been praying for impossible things?

In my last article, we looked at praying for the impossible instead of what we can clearly see. Hopefully your prayers, your heart and your eyes have been affected by this concept. Today, I want to ask a very simple question that should again cause you to evaluate the condition of your prayer life. If God answered your prayers right now, who besides yourself would be affected?

James 4:3 says “When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.” There are obvious applications for this verse. I shouldn’t just ask God to give me stuff. Simple enough. But I think that there are even more challenging depths to this concept. I think we can pray for good things that have other’s interests at heart, and it still be out of selfish motives.

The selfish parent in me prays that my daughter be safe and healthy. I pray that she finds a Godly man to marry someday. And these are good prayers, right? After all, if God answered that prayer, while I may be happy too, she is the one who benefits the most. Yet, I think there are better prayers that I can pray as her father. I can pray that as long as God grants her life on this earth, that she shines His light and love onto everyone she comes into contact with. Who benefits from God answering that prayer? I can pray that she be Jesus to her future husband. That she is an example to everyone who sees her of the kind of wife that God has in mind for her to be. Again, she would definitely benefit from God answering these prayers, but so would countless others.

The focus of my prayers should be first God’s glory, and second other’s coming to see and benefit from His glory. When I shift the focus of my prayers on God and away from my desires, when I delight myself in Him, He does in fact bless me with the desires of my heart as well. (Ps. 37:4)

Charlie DeLong

Youth Corner

Parents:

COMING SOON!

We are excited to announce some big changes to our Wednesday Youth Group schedule. Beginning **March 7th**, we will begin an **after school open house time from 3-6**. Students are encouraged to come to the youth group room and work on homework, play games, study the Bible, pretty much anything they’d like to fill that time with. I am working on the idea of offering transportation after school (If you can help with this, it would be HUGE!) and will keep you updated about that particular detail via weekly updates. Beginning the same day, we will also be changing our **regular youth group time from 6-8**. We will begin with a meal at 6 in the fellowship hall. Parents and siblings are very much encouraged to join us! We would love to have parents join us on Wednesday nights for youth group time. Join us for our meal,

our games, our worship, and our lesson, or any of these you’d like to. We will have youth group activities where we will encourage parents to let their students attend without them, but for Wednesday Youth Group and Huddles we would like for our parents (and anyone else who has an interest in the spiritual lives of our students) to be more involved if possible. If you’d like to lead a devo or teach a lesson, please let me know, but even just showing up and being with our students during this time will be great. If you have any other questions or concerns about these changes, please give me a call or shoot me an email.

February 4 Huddle—At the Delongs (Super Bowl)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Men!

Mark your calendars for the weekend of March 23rd and 24th for the 2018 Men's Retreat that will be held at Camp Cedaredge. Please keep the following in your prayers this week...Thank you and God bless you! See Bo Hill or Dave Downey for more info!"

Pantry Items Needed

Peanut Butter & Jam or Jelly
Box & dry macaroni
Small ketchup & mustard

Note: Pantry—We are receiving many items that we cannot use in there. They have been sorted out and will be placed on a table in the fellowship hall for people to take, if needed. Please donate only what is requested.

Ladies Day In Montrose

Ladies Day
Montrose, CO
March 24th
More information to follow

Brenda Robison Funeral

February 17, 2018
10:00 a.m.
Church of Christ
1215 Calm Water Drive
Montrose, CO

Montrose Area Wide Singing

We will be having our area wide worship combined with the area wide singing hosted by Thunder mountain. It will be on April 29, 2018 at Thunder Mountain Church of Christ. More information to come. Please join us and plan on a wonderful day of worship with the saints in the valley. Any questions email me or call me 9707654540 marcus

ATTENTION SCRAP BOOKERS!

Charlie is in need of some help with a scrap booking project for the Youth Group. If you would like to take this project on, please see Charlie or send him an email at myfriendscallmecharlie@gmail.com."

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for Ben Skogen's uncle Mark who had a massive stroke recently and His grandfather Bob, who has advanced cancer. Pray for comfort for both, and peace of mind for them and their family.

Melody Haight had a port for dialysis. Pray it will work as it is supposed to. Pray for her as she has the dialysis regularly for it to help her health issues.

Pray for those who are ill at home or in the hospital with the flu. It is to epidemic proportions in many areas. Also for those with other viruses or "bugs" that are prevalent at this time.

Pray for Amanda Briggs who is very ill at home, with an upper respiratory infection and influenza. Pray for healing and comfort for her.

Those who need our continuing prayers for ongoing health issue include:

Randy Brabec
Georgia Dorn
Kirby Franklin
Bobbie June Ball
Shane Briggs
Bob Tucker
Durango Garcia
Ty Roberts, Gabriel Harris and others of our family who are in the military.
Gena Willits
George Robinson
Tom and Robin English
Our nation and President and other leaders.

Ron Wilson's health has taken a downhill turn and he must go back on dialysis soon. Pray for his comfort during this trying time.

Pray for a quick recovery for Will Whitaker who had back surgery. Pray for his comfort and healing and that it was successful in stopping the pain he has had.

Prayers of peace and comfort for the Frank Lucero family in the passing of their daughter.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the answers to so many prayers. For God's love, mercy and grace. For His abiding presence and the wondrous promises he always keeps.

The tech booth is looking for 1 or 2 more volunteers to work the computer and/or the soundboard on Sunday mornings. We work month long shifts during both class time and during worship and you can sign up for as many or as few months as you feel comfortable with. The computer side requires an average comfort level with using a computer and a little more time commitment to learn. Having some knowledge of how we sing songs is helpful. The soundboard side is much less stressful but does require you be a bit early to get microphones ready. An ear for singing parts is helpful.

If you feel you would be interested in being a part of either of these sides to the tech booth ministry please come see David Cooper. Don't be afraid, we train you well and are ready to support you being a part of our little team.



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For the Record January 28, 2018

Attendance	?
Weekly Contributions 1/28/18	\$6,383.27
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,471.56
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

Communion Preparation—February

Shirley Bagga

Communion Table 2/4/18

Chuck Tourney

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in February

Snub Liles
Isaac Lavadie
Tyrone Lofton
Eric Moore
Steve Neff
David Olree
Dale Pirtle
Eric Pennal

Announcements—February

Kris Dille

Wednesday Evening Bible Classes 7—7:45 PM

<u>Sunday Morning Adult Classes—9:00 AM—9:45 AM</u>	John Cooper—Auditorium
Bill Wade—Auditorium	Shirlene Caraway, Ladies Class—103
Vince Urbina—103	Singing Class—Library
Tom Deister for College/Young Adult—213	

Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2	Nursery
2 & 4 Year Old	104
Pre KK, Kindergarten	205
1st & 2nd Grade	209
3rd thru 5th Grade	208
Middle School	203
High School	203

Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

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

Thursday Morning Bible Classes

Thursday Bible School 9:30 AM—1 PM Thursdays
Ladies Bible Class, - 9:30 AM Rm. 103

Sunday Morning Bible Classes Begin at 9 AM
Sunday Morning Fellowship Time 9:45 AM—10:15 AM
Sunday Morning Assembly Begins at 10:15 AM
Sunday Evening Small Group meets at 5 PM In Fellowship Hall
Wednesday Evening Bible Study Begins at 7 PM