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Real Life News & Notes

church of Christ of Grand Junction

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

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Greetings church family,

I hear you all are having a lot of snow!! Well, if you want to cancel "church" that's OK by me :-). I hear I didn't miss much not seeing the Super bowl. From what I read about the game the Broncos apparently left the country before the game, just like I did. Oh well, it is after all just a boys game being played by overpaid men...

Things are going well in Singapore. Despite my voice being not much more than a gravelly whisper since Tuesday (due to long travel, little sleep, drastic climate change, jet lag, etc), I am very blessed as I teach these young hearts about discipleship from the Sermon on the mount as they prepare to go and teach others about the saving love of Jesus. The days are full, up early and teach all day, then visit and fellowship each evening until past my bedtime. It's a disguised blessing that my body is still out of sync with the 15 hour time change as I wake up at about 4 AM and this allows me treasured time to commune with God and spend a couple hours preparing materials for class before heading off for the day. The food is safe, tasty and all water is drinkable...a welcome change from other places I have been. Singapore, on the scale of first to third world countries, is closer to "first" than America in most ways. Very clean, modern, efficient, beautiful, very low or no crime. It is also a very wealthy city. Many of these "blessings" can prove to be a hindrance to spiritual focus that causes the population to be too comfortable in things of the earth and feel no need to look to God for anything...just like in the USA. Singapore is also the 7th most expensive place in the world to live. Gas is about \$9 per gallon and a car will generally cost more than we pay for a house. Food costs are crazy high too.

The church here has suffered in recent years due to divisiveness caused mainly by western (American) preachers who have come and imposed salvation according to the letter of the law and drawing lines of fellowship over non-essential matters. This has not only affected the cause of Christ within the church but stained its influence and testimony among the unbelievers. The local congregation has recovered for the most part and understands we are saved by grace and that the letter kills but the Spirit gives life. They are re-learning that love covers a multitude of sins. The Christians here are very gentle, gracious and generous, eager to serve and very hospitable. They laugh easily and have a sense of calm and peace about them that is evidence of a living Savior in their hearts. Despite their expressions of gratitude for my coming, surely they are blessing and encouraging me more than I could ever bless and encourage them. For those of you who know Penny and Brandi Kendall, they send their love. They are well and I am truly enjoying spending time with them. I will give a more complete report when I return.

I am always amazed how God gives me strength on these types of mission trips when if under the same circumstance at home I would be completely wiped out. God provides what we need when we need it. He is faithful and his mercies are new every morning. Be careful with all that ice and snow. May the warmth of God's love bless and keep you. Don't feel sorry for me...Its been about 85 degrees here every day!

I can feel your love and God's presence in your prayers despite being half way around the world. Thank you for your persistent prayers for Ann and my family as I am away. Love and blessings to you all! Love one another!

Grace and peace,
Doug

Memory Verse For February: I Cor. 12:20

"There are many parts, but one body."

Our Gathering Today

Guests: Thank you for trusting us enough to honor us with your presence this morning. We hope you feel welcome and encouraged. One of our members may ask you if there is anything they can pray for you about this week or how they might serve you. Let us know how we can show Jesus' love to you. Please fill out a visitors card and enjoy the gift bread! **If you believe in Jesus as your resurrected Savior please join us in the partaking of the communion as it is passed.**

Sermon: Brian Peacock, our Youth and Family minister, will bring a practical and challenging message from God's word today. Thank you Brian!

Next Sunday: Bobby Heath will preach for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth News

Classes today: Junior high and high school are combined in the high school room. We're learning more about the book of Exodus and the story of Moses.

No huddle tonight: Spend some quality time with your families!

Wednesday night worship: As usual, we'll be meeting at 7pm in the high school room to hang out, eat snacks, and sing!

Winter Peak: Forms and payment are due today. If you haven't gotten them in yet, see Brian ASAP.

VALENTINE'S DINNER! Meet at the church building this Saturday at 5pm to help out with the Valentine's dinner. There will be food and fun and sweet fellowship

New Sunday Morning Class to Start

Bob & Bobby Heath will start a new class on the "Old Testament Survey" the 1st Sunday AM March through June in Room 202. If you have been wanting a good reason to start reading and studying your Bible each week in 2014, this is the class for you! Learn the reason for the Godly Line from Adam to Christ; and have the ability to relate the history of mankind from beginning through Malachi. There will be a sign up sheet soon so be watching.

News From Mary Cathey

Anna Marie reports that Mary is settled in her new home in Las Cruces, NM. She also thanks everyone for their prayers on behalf of the family. Mary is happy in her new surroundings and your prayers have been answered. Mary's new address is:

Mary Cathey
% Cottonbloom Assisted Living & Memory Care Center
5525 Cottonbloom Ct. #140A
Las Cruces, NM 88007

Valentine's Day Dinner

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 15th, for a Valentine's Dinner honoring married members. Dinner will be served at 5:30. Please sign up in the fora ellowship hall by February, 9th.

Clothing Needed

One of John Cooper's bible study inmates at the jail needs clothes for his court appearance in June. If anyone has good, used clothing, See John. Sizes are:

Dress Pants—W-36 L-34
Dress Shirt—XXL
Sports Jacket-48"

Please remember the following in your daily prayers.

We have a number of people who have ongoing health issues, please remember them and their families in your daily prayers. Your prayers are much appreciated by all.

JOHN ... continued healing for John

RAGS RAGSDALE.. lung cancer

PEGGY LAMKIN ...healing and comfort, and for her family, wisdom , strength and peace.

LAURA, GARY AND TRACY, friends of Jan Nelson, all have cancer.

BARB ROTH, (Mary Mendenhall's sister) final tests show stage four cancer in spine, liver, & lymph nodes, pray for comfort, and the treatments to work..and for her family's peace and strength.

MARY CATHEY...adjustment to new home will go well for her...and her family for guidance and peace.

Pray for peace and comfort for those who have lost loved ones recently. ... the KING FAMILY, AND MCLAUGHLIN FAMILY.

Pray for God's protection, guidance and wisdom for our MISSIONARIES...wherever they may be ...may their efforts reach many people for the Lord.

Keep DOUG in your prayers as he is in Singapore . Pray for Him to accomplish whatever God has planned for him while there...for safety during his time there and when traveling home also for his family while he is away.

Pray for our MILITARY and THEIR FAMILIES... for protection, guidance, strength, and spiritual blessings for both those on active duty and those who have been wounded in any way and are dealing with many adjustments in their lives.

Pray for our NATION, and for the leaders...pray for their hearts to be softened and for them to recognize their need of God ,

Pray for our CHURCH FAMILY...that we will show Christ's love and do what we can to bring others to Him.

DERRIC FRANKLIN....he is on a mission trip to Mexico. Please pray for him...for his safety there and back and also while he is there. Pray for a successful mission for Him, that the Word of God will be spread to those there.

Jan Nelson has a friend whose daughter AMY had surgery this week. They asked for prayers for her complete recovery.

Prayers of thanksgiving that 16 children were rescued from sex trafficking in New Jersey over the weekend. Pray that more of those trapped in this evil to be rescued in the future and those who are responsible for perpetrating this evil be caught and brought to justice.



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For the Record

Feb. 2, 2014
Attendance 238
Average Attendance, 4th qtr. 238
Contributions \$7,675.00
Budget Pending

Communion Preparation—February

Shirley Bagga

Communion Table 2/9/14

Mike Hackler

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in February

Bobby Heath
Scott Hendricks
Bo Hill
Mike Hughes
Mike Hurd
Isaac Lavadie
Daran Mahoney
Lucas Matthews

Announcements: Curtis Fleming

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

Ron Wilson—Covenant of God—Auditorium
Young Adult (Under 30)—Room 207
Sermon On The Mount—Vince Urbina—Room 103

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7– 8 PM

Doug Clayton— 1st John—Auditorium
Shirlene Caraway—103

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

Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

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

Sunday morning worship begins at 10:15 AM

Mesa View Retirement Service Schedule

Meets Sundays at 10 AM

Feb 9
Feb 16
Feb 23

Bill Barslund, Sandy Harris
Scott Ferguson, Dave Scheurman
Bobby Heath, Matt King

Mark 10:13-16
Mark 10:17-31
Mark 10:32-45

2 Timothy 1:7

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.
(NLT)