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Real Life News & Notes

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers



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Elder of Month

Curtis Fleming

Our Gathering Today

BLAMELESS

Feeding on the Word

I think it safe to say that all of us would like to be "**blameless.**" This morning we will study that word in a little more depth and listen to what God has to say about it. We will start in Philippians 2:14 and then move to other passages and people to come to a fuller understanding of what this can and does mean for Jesus followers.

From my Sticky Tabs

**** Men's Retreat April 7-8.** Sign up in the foyer or kitchen TODAY! **Randy Harris** from Abilene Christian University will be our speaker. We will be done shortly after noon on Saturday. There will be a small fee to help cover expenses (we are thinking \$25 per person) but please don't let this keep you from coming, we can make it happen if you don't have the \$. We want every man, young and old, to come! See **Bo Hill** (Men's Ministry Deacon) for more info!

**** Proud of Donald Prouty** who was baptized into Christ last Sunday. Our love and prayers are with you Donald.

**** Higher Calling:** A reminder for us to stay above the fray of materialism, worldly distractions and loyalty to the kingdoms of men. **"We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God that we may declare the praises of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light!"** (1 Peter 2:9)

Welcome Guests!

May you be fed and encouraged by our gathering in the name of Jesus Christ as we sing, pray, share the Lord's supper, encourage each other and open the Word of God together. We dismiss by about 11:30. Please stay around and let us get to know you a little better.

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

Love One Another!

Memory Verse For February: Romans 8:1

"There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

Turn it around

Some time ago, I was working on a construction project and encountered a very discouraging issue. I found that the room I was working on seemed to be very poorly built and was extremely uneven. I had plans for some very nice finishes in the space, but when I found how bad the structure was, I was devastated. It wasn't going to matter how great my work was, it would still be very poorly built and uneven. This discovery cast discouragement over my whole day, and even upon the days that followed. I looked to some others for advice on what could be done, but their conclusions were the same as mine: it was too bad of a problem and there was no real solution. After spending a several days stewing in my negativity, I found a painfully simple solution. I turned my level around. For days, I had believed something that wasn't true because of a faulty measuring device.

We all like to think that we are smart enough to know when someone is lying to us. The fact is we believe lies all the time. We have an enemy whose sole purpose is to deceive, and he is very effective. He fills the world around us with lies. We must remember to use the Bible as our measuring standard for what is true and what is not. Often, we will find that the truth is exactly opposite from the lies we've been hearing. *This is the truth. If we just turn things around, we can't know God and feel His presence. I would be lying to you if I said that the Almighty wants to be your father, that God wants to be active in your life, that He wants to know you, that you are wanted, that you are loved. But you must know that you don't deserve any of this. I am convinced of this because I know the heart of man. We are forever separated from God. I refuse to believe under any circumstance that we could be reunited with God right now. Because of our dependency on Christ, we have lost the connection to God. There is so much more you don't know. This is the truth. God is Holy and we are not.*

God is Holy and we are not. This is the truth. There is so much more you don't know! We have lost the connection to God but because of our dependency on Christ, we could be reunited with God right now. I refuse to believe under any circumstance that we are forever separated from God and I am convinced of this because I know the heart of man. You don't deserve any of this, but you must know that you are loved, that you are wanted, that He wants to know you that God has a plan for your life. The Almighty wants to be your father. I would be lying to you if I said that we can't know God and feel His presence. If we just turn things around, this is the truth.—Charlie DeLong

IMPORTANT PANTRY NEWS

FEBRUARY PANTRY NEEDS: Pork & Beans and other beans (not green beans) and fruit (apricots, peaches, etc.).

Please place your donations on the table in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings through the month of February. You will be informed of what the March need will be. Thank you so much for your generous support.—*Della, Sue & Karen*

Baby Shower Table

Beginning February 22, there will be a "baby shower" table set up in the fellowship hall for a young, single expecting mother. She's having a little boy. The table will be in place through March 8. If you can bless this young lady and her baby, please consider helping us shower her with love. See Lesa Brassette for detailed information (will also be on the table once it is set up).

Cell Phone Number Correction

Jerry Austin's cell phone number was incorrectly posted in last week's Bulletin. Correct number is: 970-683-0628.

Goodner Going Away Party

Teddie Goodner's going away party is tonight at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a finger food or dessert. No gifts, just well wishes.

Empty Nesters

Empty Nest Game Night and Chili Cookoff March 4th, 6 PM at the building. Bring games. Please call Sherry Crowe for food that is needed.

Yeager Baby Shower

A baby shower for Breanna Yeager will be Saturday, March 4th 10:00 AM at the home of Deborah Carol. She is registered at Target and she is having a boy. If you want to help host or bring food, contact Deborah Carol at 261-4860.

Thank You

Thanks to everyone for the cards, phone calls, visits and prayers during my recent surgery and recovery. *Sandy Harris*

Prayer Request

John & Holly Cooper left last week for a mission trip to Guam. Pray for their success and for safe travel.

VBS - SAVE THE DATE!

VBS will be June 19-23. Start planning now!

Creative Christian Art Guild

The Art Guild will meet today at 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a demo on "Boxes" by Cathy Karo and you will be working on your chosen project.

Prayers of thanksgiving that Sandy Harris is recovering okay from recent surgery on his ankle. Pray for his continued healing and that it will be a complete recovery!

Pray for Dale and Laurie Wright and the family. Pray for safety as they travel to China to get their new adopted member of their family. Pray for God's blessing on them, their trip and that every thing goes well there, and for their new child.

Pray for Teddie Goodner as she leaves us to move to Florida. Pray for safety in travel when she moves and that her transition to her new home will go well.

Thank God for Donald, our new brother in Christ, baptized last Sunday morning. Pray for God to bless Him as he begins his life as a child of God.

Pray for Christina DeLancey as she goes to begin her military career. Pray for God to guide and keep her safe.

Continue to pray for all of those who have on going health issues. Some of them are listed below.

Stan Hurd, ...cancer
Verne Twait...broken hip and shoulder
Betty Jo....cancer
Davidleukemia
Debra Traherne....cancer
Shane Briggsleukemia
Bobby Tucker....cancer
Tom English.. various health issues

Pray for safety for Scott and Lisa Harris and those in the area they live in. A typhoon is developing in the Indian Ocean and at present is headed for their area. Pray it will not hit the land there and no lives or property will be lost. Or that it will dissipate before it hits land. Pray for God's protection for them in any case.

Continue to pray for our nation and its leaders. Pray for people to put selfish agendas aside and base decisions on what is best for the people and the nation as a whole. Pray for them to seek wisdom from above in making all decisions.

Continue to pray for our church family, that we will be the kind of servants that God needs and wants. That all we do will be in His will and bring glory to His name.

Pray for Vera Specht, Scott Delancey's sister, who is has had a hip replacement and has another hip replacement, and both knees to be replaced upcoming. Pray for her as she prepares to have all these surgeries in the near future as soon as is feasible. Pray for healing and recovery for each one and for comfort for her during all of them.

YOUTH NEWS**Huddles:**

Tonight: 6-8 p.m. at Alex & Zoe Hoffman's house (3159 White Cross Ln. - GJ 81504). Girls bring desserts, guys bring drinks. Invite a friend and come for dinner, fun and a devotional!

March 5 - at the home of David & Sue Olree

March 19 - at the home of Joel & Sandra Soria

If you'd like to host a huddle or have questions, please contact Lesa Brassette (Les@Brassette.com)!

Upcoming Events

Winter Peak - Feb. 24th-26th

Titus 2 Event - March 10th

Spring Break Mission Trip - March 20th-24th



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For the Record

Feb. 12, 2017

Attendance	269
Weekly Contributions 2/12/17	\$6,174.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,373.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in February

Mark Brassette
Mike Bricker
Lynn Briggs
Dave Bussert
Shawn Collazo
Lonnie DeLancey
Scott DeLancey
Preston Dixon

Communion Preparation—February

Shirley Bagga

Communion Table 2/19/17

Announcements—February

David Olee

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

Ron Wilson	Auditorium
Wes Yeager	202
Vince Urbina	103
Young Adult (Under 30)	207

Wednesday Evening Bible Classes 7—7:45 PM

Doug Clayton	Auditorium
Singing Class	103

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	213
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 for Pre-Schoolers	9:30 am—12:30 PM
Ladies Bible Class, starts 9:30 am	207

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 Class begins at 6 PM In Fellowship Hall
Wednesday Evening Bible Study Begins at 7 PM