



Real Life News & Notes

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A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

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Three Keys

During the Bible Study Hour this morning, in my class, we concluded eight weeks of sessions in the “Fearless Marriage” course from the PREP (Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program) organization. Throughout the course many good comments were shared on the helpfulness of this material. Perhaps we will offer this course again in the near future for those unable to take it this time.

One of the first sessions was on “Three Keys” for marital success. I am aware that many of us are not married. However, these three keys can apply to more than the marriage relationship. In different ways these three keys can be applied to friendships, work relationships and even church relationships. Below are these three keys with scriptures to affirm their relevance to our Christian walk

- 1. Do your part.** We *cannot* control what others do or how they talk or act. We *can* control what we do and how we talk and act. Are you doing what you can to make things in your relationships better? Do you hold your tongue when you should? Do you control your anger? Do you reach out to others with love and patience? Do you forgive others? The apostle Paul wrote, “If it is possible, **as far as it depends on you**, live at peace with everyone” (Romans 12:18).
- 2. Decide. Don’t slide.** Often we know what we should do. But we hesitate and procrastinate. We let things slide and it gets harder and harder to change the things we know we need to. Maybe today we should start communicating better, maybe today we should “bury the hatchet” and forgive. If we never start we never get there. Paul was once before King Agrippa testifying about the truthfulness of Jesus claims. “Then Agrippa said to Paul, ‘Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?’ Paul replied, ‘Short time or long-I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am...’” (Acts 29:28-29).
- 3. Make it safe to connect.** Are people afraid to talk with us? Do people fear our temper? Do we retaliate when people do not do what we want? Some wives and children cannot share their true feelings with the “man of the house” for fear of their reaction. Sometimes we cannot share important advice with friends for fear of repercussions. Proverbs 15:1- “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Let’s use these three key! John Cooper

Memory Verse For February: I Cor. 12:20

“There are many parts, but one body.”

Sermon: This morning Doug will be sharing some pictures and faith stories from his recent teaching mission to Singapore. It is a rich blessing and great encouragement to see and know that God's kingdom, filled with loving servants and people of great faith, is alive and well all over the world! We are not alone in this fight! ...But we already knew that!

Guests: Thank you for being here this morning. We truly do not take your presence for granted. Let us get to know you, pray for you, and serve you. Our worship assembly is pretty simple, without a lot of horns and whistles, and we pray you will be blessed and encouraged by the love you experience as we seek to honor God and build each other up in the Lord today. Please fill out that little card that is attached to the bread gift and place it in the collection plate as it comes by. **If you place your trust in the Resurrected Lord Jesus then please join us in partaking of Communion as it is passed.**

Appreciation: To John Cooper, Brian Peacock and Bobby Heath for preaching in my absence the past few Sundays. And to all or church family for remembering me in prayer while away!

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." - Romans 15:13

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.

Sunday Ladies Class to Begin

Attention ladies! Starting March 2nd, there will be a new Bible study beginning on Sunday mornings, in room 103. The title of the class is "Unglued: Making Wise Choices in the Midst of Raw Emotion." All ladies are welcome! Ask Jenna for more details. See you there!

Clean, Clean, Clean!

This is what a wonderful group of ladies did last Tuesday. They spent the entire morning and some of the afternoon cleaning out cupboards, stoves, refrigerators, floors, sinks, sorting out unneeded items that members had forgotten and everything that involves cleaning up a kitchen. It made me very aware that a kitchen is "not self cleaning" as one lady stated. Let us honor these dedicated ladies (you know who you are and you would never want praise for doing the Lord's work.) However, a bit of praise is appropriate here and members can make things a whole lot easier on them if dirty towels are taken home and washed after use, taking care of spills in the oven as they happen, taking left over food home with you, seeing that things are put back in their proper place, etc. Just a little bit of effort can keep things in tip-top shape for the next user and it will be greatly appreciated.

Join Us

Come join us for an hour of gospel singing and fellowship

**Tonight—6 P.M.
In the fellowship hall
(you get to pick your favorite hymns)**

Hope to see you there!
Hunt Zumwalt's Life Group

Wild at Heart Seminar

Canyon View Vineyard church is presenting a "Wild at Heart" seminar on Saturday, March 1 from 8 AM—12 Noon. Speaker is John Eldredge, NYT bestselling author. This seminar is for men only and if you are interested in attending, check-in time is 7:30 A.M. Saturday morning.

Please remember the following in your daily prayers. Your prayers are very much appreciated by all.

Continue to pray for LAURA, GARY AND TRACY, Jan Nelson's friends, as they continue their fight against cancer.

BARB ROTH, Mary Mendenhall's sister also fighting stage four cancer. The treatments do not seem to be working, and the cancer continues to grow and spread. Mary has gone to ST Louis to be with her.

VERLYN MATTHEWS....pray for relief from the severe pain he is suffering in his back.

ANONA LOFTON...pray for complete recovery from surgery .

CJ..(Jan Nelsons son in law, Abbey's husband) was in an accident at work and was hit in the head by a huge timber that fell from a catwalk. Thanksgiving that he doesn't have life threatening injuries. Pray for his complete recovery from the head contusions and concussion.

JERRY AUSTIN, KERI FLEMING, DICK TRUITT—All down with the flu bug.

Prayers of thanksgiving for the safe travel of Doug and a number of others these past few weeks.

Continue to pray for all of our MISSIONARIES, for guidance and protection.

Our NATION...we need to be continually praying for our nation. For people to repent and turn back to God, so perhaps He will heal our land.

Also please continue to pray for our MILITARY and their families. They sacrifice so much for us all. Pray for God to protect, guide and bless them.

Prayer for our CHURCH FAMILY. Pray we will be beacons to the world and allow God's love to shine through us. Pray we will show we are Christians by our love...and how we treat one another and respond to the daily challenges.

Continue to always give thanks to God for His abundant blessings and His unfailing Love.

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” James 5:16 NKJV

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, WITH THANKSGIVING, let your requests be known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6,7



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For the Record

Feb. 16, 2014

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| Attendance | 243 |
| Average Attendance, 4th qtr. | 238 |
| Contributions | \$7,326.96 |
| Budget | Pending |

Communion Preparation—February

Shirley Bagga

Communion Table 2/23/14

David Scheuerman

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

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| 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

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| 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

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| Feb 23 | Bobby Heath, Matt King | Mark 10:32-4 |
| Mar 2 | Bill Tidwell, Dave Scheuerman | Mark 10:46-52 |
| Mar 9 | Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt | Mark 11:1-11 |
| Mar 16 | Bud Treu, Mike Hurd | Mark 11:15-19 |
| Mar 23 | Bill Barslund, Sandy Harris | Mark 11:12-14,20-25 |
| Mar 30 | Wes Yeager, Scott Delancy | Mark 12:13-44 |
| Apr 6 | Bill Tidwell, Dave Scheurman | Mark 14:12-26 |
| Apr 13 | Chuck Tourney, Hunt | Colossians 1:1-14 |
| May 4 | Wes Yeager, Scott Delancy | Col. 1:15-2:5 |
| May 11 | Bill Tidwell Dave Scheurman | Col. 2:6-23 |
| May 18 | Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt | Col. 3:1-17 |
| May 25 | Bud Treu, Mike Hurd | Col. 3:18-4:1 |
| June 1 | Bill Barslund, Sandy Harris | Col. 4:2-6 |