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Real Life News & Notes

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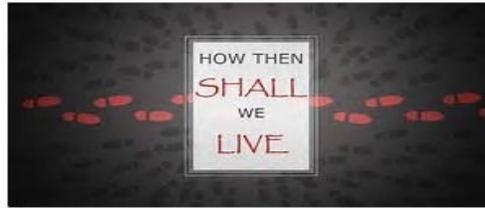
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Elder of Month

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Our Gathering Today



Feeding on the Word

Today we finish looking to the Bible to answer Peter's question, "**How then should we live?**" (**2 Peter 3:11**). There is no more relevant and challenging question in all of Scripture regarding life and faith. I look forward to breaking the Bread of Life with you this morning!

From my Sticky Tabs . . .

May Jesus Open our Eyes!

From our Wed. night class on John 9: Jesus calls us to that moment when, like the blind man and his parents, we will be asked to make a choice that honors Christ and tells our story of how the Savior caused us to see. Yes, it may get us "*thrown out of the synagogue*" but is that such a bad thing? Each of us has a blindness to overcome and Jesus is the one offering sight.

This Wednesday we go to the tomb of Lazarus and behold the power of God! Join us at 7pm!

Man camp!

Thanks to **Charlie DeLong** and **Bo Hill** for organizing the event which involved several of our young men who took many of our even younger men to camp out this past Friday night. A great time of Christ centered fellowship, smores, and relationship building around a campfire :-)!

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 March: Mark 12:30

"Love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength"

Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)

Porn (Part 2) Continued from Jen Ferguson's article in [CovenantEyes](#)

Myth #3: *I should have been more adventurous in our sex life.*

God intends sex to be pleasurable. Sex is a wonderful gift to be explored in the context of marriage (read ***The Song of Solomon***). God is creative, so we're creative. While the husband's body belongs to the wife and the wife's to the husband both are called to love and respect each other. **"Husbands ought to love their wives as they love their own bodies"** (Ephesians 5:28). Showing love includes respecting the boundaries and feelings of our spouse.

Many people have endured sexual trauma and may feel deeply uncomfortable with certain sexual acts. Being adventurous is appreciated and appropriate but trying to live up to your husband's cyber fantasies is unrealistic and harmful and will not solve his porn addiction.

Sex was never intended by God to be used to manipulate or punish your spouse. Instead we are reminded **"do not deprive each other of sex except by mutual consent and then only for a brief season so as not to be tempted."** (1 Corinthians 7). Your marriage bed is to be undefiled (Hebrews 13:4) and a place of safety to enjoy each other without fear or guilt in the gift of marital intimacy. Yet, you should never be forced to engage in behavior that is degrading or hurts you in any way.

Myth #4: *If he loved me enough, he would change.*

This is not about you. You want your spouse to be free from porn **because he needs to be free from porn**, not just because it's affecting your relationship. Unless your spouse is willing to change on a spiritual level first there is little hope he will make a lasting change just for you. **Pray not only for the healing of your marriage but for the healing of his relationship with God that will bring about lasting change.**

While the grace and love I (so imperfectly) offered provided a glimpse of God's love, it was my husband's relationship with Jesus that showed him how porn pales in comparison with true, real, unconditional love. In this process, he recognized that he is worth more than what porn offers. He acknowledged that his porn addiction was short-changing him and robbing him of the fullness of life. This motivated him to leave porn behind and seek treasure in what is true and lasting, real relationships. **He ultimately had to change for himself, not for me.**

Can God use you to help your husband? **Yes.** You can love him well while setting good boundaries for yourself and your relationship. Here's the thing—**My husband had to learn that he was worthy of being loved.** He had to learn *how* to receive this love. You can't pour water into a bucket when it has the lid on it. If he is willing to get help and allow God to re-train his heart and mind his life can be restored. **Many men and marriages have been snatched from the jaws of pornography and infidelity and are on the road to recovery.**

Myth #5: *I can't tell anyone because it's his secret.* To be continued next week . . .

MARCH PANTRY NEEDS: Crackers & Dry Cereal.

Other: We have had a lift chair on loan to a disabled patient who does not have need of it now and has turned it in. If you need a lift chair in very good condition, please check with Stacey Lucero or stop by the office. We will deliver it to your home if requested.

Wes & Sheila Yeager would like to send in a bulk order for the movie "IS GENESIS HISTORY?". Individual orders for the DVD are \$19.95 each. A bulk order of 20 or more DVDs would bring the price down to \$14.96 each with free shipping, if we order soon. Write you name on a piece of paper and give it to Wes or Sheila or call them at home this week at 970-245-3693.

Grand Mesa Church Camp Needs A Camp Caretaker

The Trustees of Grand Mesa Church Camp are in the process of looking for someone to be camp caretaker for this next summer. The period of employment will basically begin the mid part of June, all of July through mid –August, and several weekends the latter part of August and in September. If interested or know someone who might be interested, please contact Max Stites at 970-256-7797 or maxdstites@gmail.com for a detailed job description, duties, an application, and salary information. We would like to get this important position filled sooner rather than later and look forward to visiting with those interested.

Helping Hands Needed

There will be an organizational meeting for an outreach program to help those less fortunate in our community. For those who are interested in this program, we will meet on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Contact Pam Hurd for any questions.

New Bible Class Start-Up

Starting 4/2/17, I will be facilitating a Sunday morning Bible class in #207 for anyone interested - not just teens. The class will be 13 weeks long and is called **Answers Academy from Answers in Genesis**. Thank you, Michael Applebee

Intro to Bible Art Journaling Workshop

Tuesday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall, Lesa Brassette will present this workshop for those interested in this creative form of devotional time! There is no charge to come, but please RSVP if you can to Les@Brassette.com or 640-2243 so I know how many people to bring surprises for and so I can share a list of suggested things to bring! (Nothing required though!) Bring your littles if you need to!

Thank You!

Thank you to Manon Jacob and Christina Terraglia for taking the 2—5 year old Wednesday evening class. BRAVO!!

Community Garden Meeting Today

There will be a meeting today right after assembly in Room 103 to discuss plans for the Community Garden. For details, see Gabriele or Christina Terraglia.

Daylight Savings Time Started yesterday evening.

Please pray for the requests below we have received. Thank you for bringing these before the Lord. What a blessing for those who are in need of prayer! God bless!

Pray for Kreid Aguilar, the newborn grandson of Reece James, who is in NICU in a hospital in Oklahoma with breathing problems. Pray they are able to get his lungs cleared out and he will be soon be healthy and able to go home. Pray also for travel safety for her as she travels to and from there.

Please Pray for Cecelia Massey. She is having some congestive heart problems...fluid build uppray for her treatment to work and her to recover soon. Pray the treatment will work and she will soon be home.

Continue to pray for the VBS as preparation begins for it. Again pray for all those involved in making it happen. Pray for the children who will attend and for the teachers and helpers to show them the love of Jesus.

Continue to pray for those who need ongoing prayers for ongoing issues.

Ron Wilson skin cancer, kidney issues
Debra Trahern, ..ovarian cancer
Vera Specht...hip and knee replacements
Tom English...various health issues
Bobby Tucker...cancer
Shane Briggs....Leukemia
Davidleukemia
Betty Jo....cancer
Verne Twait....broken hip and shoulder
Stan Hurd....cancer
Tom Crist....recovery from surgery

Pray for our nation and the president that they will make decisions within God's will and will put the people before selfish agendas. Pray for those who would do evil to be brought to light and violence to cease. Pray for safety for all Americans.

Pray for our military and their families, law enforcement and their families and first responders/firemen and their families. Pray for safety and wisdom and insight for all.

Prayers of thanksgiving and praise to our heavenly Father for his love, mercy and grace.for answered prayers and for guidance.....for forgiveness and second chances....for all our needs supplied, for the promises he made and keeps, for sustaining us all in every way and for our salvation through Jesus.

YOUTH NEWS

None today!

March 19 - The Sorias' House - 6-8 p.m. James and his family live at 2892 Hermosa Ct. - GJ 81506. Girls bring desserts and boys bring drinks. Invite a friend and come for dinner, fun, and a devotional!

April 2 - The Nortons' House

To Host a Huddle, please contact Lesa Brassette Les@Brassette.com or text 640-2243)

Upcoming Events

Spring Break Mission Trip - March 20th-24th



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For the Record

Mar. 5, 2017

Attendance	275
Weekly Contributions 3/05/17	\$10,999.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,875.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in March

David Downey
 Scott Ferguson
 Zack Fleming
 Ryan Fleming
 Ray Gehrett
 Nolan Grigsby
 Leonard Harvey
 Bob Heath

Communion Preparation—March

Melva Willbanks

Communion Table 3/12/17

Bob Howard

Announcements—March

Scott DeLancey

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

John Cooper	Auditorium
Wes Yeager	202
Vince Urbina	103
Young Adult (Under 30)(Temporarily not Meeting)	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