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Real Life News & Notes

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers



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Our Gathering Today



Feeding on the Word

"Love the sinner, hate the sin." I'm not sure about you but I have always struggled with the collateral damage associated with this phrase as we seem to injure one in order to hate the other. This morning we take a fresh look at Jesus as he mercifully intervenes in an awkward, humiliating and potentially deadly encounter with a "sinner" and shows us what the Father in heaven is really like. See you in **John 8** in a few minutes!

From my Sticky Tabs . . .

From our Wed. night class on John 11: Jesus is waiting for us to die to self. Until we are rotting dead he can't bring us back to life. When He arrives he opens the dark tomb that holds us. He speaks new life into us and then he removes our death clothes and sets us free!! **This Wednesday we go to an Upper Room, where Jesus demonstrates what servant leadership looks like!** See you at 7pm!

Thank you for being an "open arms" church! Look for someone you know who might be missing this morning. Text or call and let them know they were missed and ask if you might do anything for them. Seek out a face in the crowd this morning that is new to our church, or a guest, or you simply can't recall or never knew their name. Greet them, welcome them in the name of Jesus. *"By your love will all know you are my followers!"*

Welcome Guests!

Help yourself to coffee, juice, and donuts in the kitchen area. Feel free to bring them in to the assembly.

May you be spiritually 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 3) Continued from Jen Ferguson's article in [CovenantEyes](#)

Myth #5: *I can't tell anyone because it's his secret.*

Porn addiction comes with a host of shame, but not just for the addict. Sure, I didn't want to tell anyone what was going on because I was afraid of what people would think of my husband, but I was also afraid what people would think of *me*.

But shame is a powerful tool that Satan uses to keep us bound and enslaved to addiction. He uses it to keep us isolated. He molds it into lies like, "*You'll never be free*" and "*People will think you're horrible if they knew what you do.*" Shame keeps us trapped in darkness and wrapped in the false security that if we can keep this *our little secret*, it will all be manageable and in our control.

Confessed sins and revealed burdens lose their power over us. Exposing our sin and our problems to Light begins the healing and restoring process. Jesus says, "**I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life**" (John 8:12).

Just as much as your spouse needs exposure to light, so do you. And just as much as your spouse is going to need a support system to hold him accountable and help him overcome this addiction, so will you need one to heal from the hurt and betrayal. Find a trusted friend, spiritual advisor or godly counselor to walk with you through this dark valley.

Myth #6: *I'll never be able to trust him again.*

Nothing is impossible with God (Matthew 19:26). Yes, you both have a hard road of healing. Your relationship has sustained damage and as you journey through this it might feel as though your marriage is totally lost. But there is good news in this: What has been destroyed can be rebuilt. With Jesus as the foundation, it can be even stronger than it was before. How do I know? Because our marriage is living proof. There are days when I still struggle with trusting him, but I have learned that ultimately my trust must be in God. Human beings will always fail, but God never does. With His strength, His love, His forgiveness, we can overcome any obstacle, "**For everyone born of God overcomes the world**" (1 John 5:4).

Thank you for patiently considering this "Sips" series on Porn. I pray it will help expose the darkness to God's light. Satan is committed to distorting and perverting every good gift of God, including and especially sex. God's gift of sex is one of the most intimate experiences given to mankind. It is a personal, physical expression of commitment and trust that binds a husband and wife together in a unique and spiritual way and the **Accuser**, Satan, will stop at nothing to use it for evil and to destroy the home.

May we resolve to bring God's light to bear upon pornography and refuse to concede this battle to the enemy. May we as a church family provide grace, mercy, and support to those struggling. **May we "love the sinner" as God works to heal broken lives. May God's power and love reclaim souls, heal marriages and rescue families from the most destructive plague of our time!**

MARCH PANTRY NEEDS: Crackers & Dry Cereal.

Other: If you have lost an item such as a Bible or sweater, please check the baskets in the foyer. They are overflowing with things you might have been looking for.

World Bible School Here!

Lynette Rowland from the Montrose congregation needs help with responding to local contacts who are enrolling in the World Bible School Internet Bible Course. There are over 20 presently enrolled in the GJ area and she needs teachers to help with these contacts. Contact her at 970-201-6028

Book Orders

Wes & Sheila Yeager are still taking orders for the movie "IS GENESIS HISTORY?". Write your name on a piece of paper and give it to Wes or Sheila or call them at home this week at 970-245-3693 if you would like to order.

Ladies. The "flower room" has been moved to the old youth ministers office upstairs. Everything has been inventoried and labeled. The room contains flowers, vases, containers, table clothes, special events and holiday decorations and wedding decorations. If you have "contributions" for the room, please contact either Glenda Schuerman or Karen Wade before just putting it in the room.

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

Attention church family!

If you are interested in having your child attend Thursday Bible School (ages 2-PreK) in the fall, there will be a brief informational meeting after services next Sunday, March 26th, in room 103. If you are unable to attend, please see Jenna Hill for more info.

Benefit Auction

There will be a benefit auction and dinner for Donna Weathers (Lance Richardson's mom) at the Rifle, CO Moose Lodge on Saturday march 25th (4-8 pm) to help offset costs of treating her recently returned cancer. Lance and Melissa are former members here. Please keep Lance's mother in prayer.

Teddie Goodner's New Address

2736 NW 77th Blvd.
MGS#459
Gainesville, FL 32606
Phone: 970-261-9579

Creative Christian Art Guild

Art Guild meets today at 1 PM in Fellowship Hall. Jeannette Sanburg will be demonstrating "Tattooing". Also, bring your projects to work on.

Please keep the following requests for prayer in your daily prayers. Its so important to those who need them and pleasing to God at the same time. He hears and answers! God Bless !

Pray for Jan Nelsons,3 mo old nephew, who is being treated for RSV. Pray for healing and comfort for him. Pray for his family as they care for him.

Pray for Jan Nelson's niece to find a job. Pray for peace of mind for her, she has struggled since her moms death some time ago in an accident. Pray for God to guide her to the right place to work and for him to comfort and uplift her in her sadness.

Pray for Cecelia Massey...she is home from hospital but still has health issues. Pray for comfort and healing and for her family as they care for her. Prayers for E.Y. also.

Pray for Betsy Brown, who fell and dislocated her shoulder this past week. Pray for healing and comfort for her.

Pray for Terry Kraft, a friend of Lila's who has just had serious shoulder surgery. Pray for comfort and a complete recovery, and for his wife as she cares for him.

Continued prayers are needed for the following:

- Upcoming VBS
- Upcoming men's retreat
- Ron Wilson
- Debra Trahern
- Vera Specht
- Tom and Robin English
- Bobby tucker
- Shane Briggs
- David
- Verne Twait
- Stan Hurd

Prayers of thanksgiving for the recovery for Tom Crist. And that he was able to be back with us last Sunday!!! continue to pray for him.

Prayers of thanksgiving for Della Fiske-Turner's friend Betty Jo, who we have been praying for who had cancer. She has received the news that the treatments worked and the cancer is gone, she still is taking some treatments so continue to keep her in prayers. She wants to thank everyone for the prayers, they have been answered!!

Pray for our nation, for the president and his cabinet, pray for guidance for them in the decisions they make. Pray for our nation to return to God and repent, that He may bless us with quiet and peaceful lives.

Pray for our military, law enforcement, and first responders and their families. Pray for their safety and wisdom for them.

Pray for our church family to be exactly what God intends for us to be, a light for the world, and Christ like in all we do or say, that we will bring glory to His name.

Prayers of thanksgiving and praise to the God of all grace, for his mercies and love, his care and protection, his guidance and comfort and his forgiveness and promises.

YOUTH NEWS

Huddles:

Today, March 19 - 6-8 p.m. at the Sorias' house. James and his family live at 2893 Hermosa Ct. - GJ 81506. Girls bring desserts and boys bring drinks. Invite a friend and come for dinner, fun and a devotional!

- > **April 2** - At the Nortons' House
- > **April 16** - Easter, no Huddle
- > **April 30** - At the Roberts' House

To host a Huddle please contact Lesa Brassette (Les@Brassette.com or 640-2243)

Upcoming Events

Spring Break Mission Trip - March 20th-24th



Patterson Road church of Christ

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For the Record

Mar. 12, 2017

Attendance	242
Weekly Contributions 3/12/17	\$3,384.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,178.00
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 3/19/17

Ryan Smith

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