

Real Life News & Notes

church of Christ of Grand Junction

Some Of Our Outreach Plans—Update

It is my prayer that you were encouraged last Sunday morning by my report on Holly and my recent mission trip to Guam. Thank you for your support of this trip. Thanks to my fellow elders for their encouragement to me to be involved in efforts like this to reach the world for Jesus.

Let me update you on some of the other efforts that we are pursuing. Your prayers and participation are greatly needed. I continue to teach a weekly class in the Spruce pod at the Mesa County Detention Facility. Often I will make individual visits with inmates who request this or with inmates who others on the outside ask me to visit. I am considering going to another of the pods on a weekly basis as well. When inmates are released I try and help them find a place to live and also try and help them find work. Several times I have been able to meet with their families on the outside to see how we can help them as well. Presently we have a number of our congregation who have helped me with inmates who have been released. I have also been asked to conduct a weekly Sunday night Bible study at the Work Release facility. Stephanie Cooper works at this facility.

We are also going forward with plans for our Celebrate Recovery Program. More details soon on this exciting opportunity. We are looking in to some training sessions for all of us who want to participate in this effort. We already have several people interested in attending the program. We are going to need lots of help here to, so get ready!

We are continuing to work on establishing a presence on the Colorado Mesa University Campus. Jan Nelson is helping me find the people and organizations we need to contact to make this happen. Several of our "college age or a bit older members" have already started a Sunday class at a local coffee shop and then provide transportation to our worship services as well. John Clayton has agreed to come and do his "Does God Exist?" seminar on campus in October if we can get it arranged from our end. Wow! I am excited about this possibility! Pray hard for this one!

The Montrose congregation has asked me to return and do a three week series on "Evidences for Faith" beginning today March 25th. Lord willing, I will be speaking on and showing my powerpoint presentation on "Recent Scientific Discoveries and the Existence of God." Next Sunday, April 1, I will be speaking on "The Reliability and Inspiration of the Bible". And then on "Easter" Sunday, April 8 the topic will be "The Historicity and Divinity of Jesus". Also, Jim Darnell, one of the elders of the church in Gunnison asked me to do something similar, though probably not as many sessions, there in April. The church of Christ in Trumbull, Connecticut has asked me to come there for a Sunday through Wednesday (May 20-23) community outreach seminar on Marriage and Family Health from a Christian Perspective. And then the church on Guam wants me to come help them again in September.

Thank God for some great opportunities. Please keep these plans in your prayers and for me as well as I prepare. Thanks again for your prayers and encouragement.

In His love and service, John Cooper

YOUTH SECTION

No youth page article this week! But there is a lesson here for all of us: a lesson in time management.

Grace (thankfully) and peace.
-Lucas

Huddle: Tonight 6pm at the house of AJ Urbina. Middle school bring Drinks. High School bring Desserts.

Bit of Humor Fill-In

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

Memory Verse For March: Philippians 4:13 NIV

"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

#167-Hosanna

Children’s Verse – Lucas Matthews

Greeting Time—Lucas Matthews

Announcements - Curtis Fleming

Song Leader—Lane Coale

Hosanna - Vs 1 Repeat Chorus

Call to Worship

577—We Bow Down
 803- Turn My Heart
 In Christ Alone—Screen
 176—Lamb of God
 315—When I Survey Vs 1 & 3

Communion—Mike Hurd
Offering

266—Majesty (Repeat Chorus)
 On Bended Knee—Screen 2 times

Sermon—Fan or Follower: Church guy or Prostitute? - Doug Clayton

912—Burdens Are Lifted

Blessing and Dismissal Prayer—Frank Lucero

Outreach Minister—John Cooper	241-4075
Minister—Doug Clayton	523-1654
Visitation Minister—Hunt Zumwalt	210-8960

Honored to Serve the Lord’s Table in

March

Larry Ball
 Doug Barnett
 Bill Barslund
 Wes Beaver
 Dean Blanck
 Scott Bradley
 Mark Brassette
 Mike Bricker

Announcements

March-----Curtis Fleming
April—Ron Wilson
May-----Karl Antwine
June—Vince Urbina

For the Record

Mar. 18 2012

Attendance	275
Average Attendance, 2011	258
Contributions	\$5,399.00
Budget	\$6,715.30

Communion Preparation—March

James & Corren Lind

Prayer Requests

Continue to pray for the following and their families:

STAN HURD....heart problems and lymphoma
 DAN SCOTT....Guillian Barre syndrome
 SUSAN NICKLAS....colon cancer
 JESSICA BOONE..... for continued healing
 Pray for the families who have lost loved ones recently.
 Especially this week for the family of Inez Butts and Preston Dixon’s brother passed away, so pray for that family.
 May God give them comfort and peace.
 JOHN AKERS..... pray for him as he prepares for major surgery to remove part of the stomach, esophagus and lung on March 30. Pray for successful surgery and complete healing from the cancer. Also for comfort and peace for he and Barb.
 RICH MENDENHALL... pray for successful surgery on March 27 for prostate cancer. Pray it will go well and that he will be cancer free. Pray for comfort and for his family,
 KAY WILSON....Pray for her as she has tests before having surgery. Pray for successful surgery and for her healing.

JERIMY AND AMANDA GADBERRY.....Pray that the difficulties they have faced recently will work out for the good . Pray for their faith to be strong as they deal with the issues, and they will see God working in their lives.
 SELMA ALLMAN—She fell and is now in Larchwood, Room 105. Keep her in your prayers and she also appreciates cards and phone calls.
 TERRY JACKSON—Has recently moved here. Pray that he may find work in the construction industry.
 DOUG BEACH—Please pray that he is successful in securing employment.
 DESTINY— Joel Trumbo’s girlfriend. Prayer of thanksgiving for her healing.
 FIDEL—the preacher of the church in Guam, to be able to get back safely from the Philippines.
 YOUTH CAMP— for camp to go well, and all the adults who give their time for our children to be blessed (as well as all the campers).

Notes and Items of Interest

Worship Committees (Team) Meeting

There will be a yearly planning session on Wednesday, March 28 at 7:15 PM in Room 103. Worship planners, songleaders, facilitators, worship committee, sound room and video technicians plan to set aside this time for a very important meeting.

Thank you!

Last week (due to computer problems) our Phone Tree was down. It was urgent that the congregation be notified of funeral services for Inez Butts. Lila Briggs, Stacey Lucero, Elaine Roberts, and I'm sure some that I did not even know of, got on the phone. The entire church directory was covered and members were notified "Live". Thank you so much for your help!, Jimmye

Young Marrieds Seminar

There will be a seminar here at the building on Saturday and Sunday April 28th & 29th. Bryanna Goodman will speak on "Marriage Not For Wimps". For more information see Corren Lind.

Funds to Mountain States Children's Home

Pocket change you place in the collection plate goes to the Mountain States Children's Home in Longmont Colorado. We have sent them a total of \$118.90 so far this year.

Missions

We are no longer collecting funds for Alyx Barthel for the AIM program. Alyx has decided to head in a different direction for now and is no longer a part of the AIM program. Also, high school students going to Honduras are in need of some additional funds to cover expenses. If you would like to help, please contact Dean Blanck or Chuck Tourney.

Change of Address

Dakota Stewart is back in the states as of this week and presently stationed in Ca. He and his wife Jordan's address is:

Dakota and Jordan Stewart
120 Calle Amistad
#7203
San Clemente, CA 92673

Adam Lucero has been transferred to Kuwait. At this time an address is not available.

Brian and Rachel Peacock's address at this time is:

118 1/2 College Drive, Downstairs,
Abilene, TX 79601.

It is reported that they have made an offer on a house here. Keep them in your prayers that everything will go smoothly for them as they prepare to make their home here.

TBS Dinner

TBS will have their annual Widows/Widowers Dinner on April 12 here in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a program beginning at 11:30 AM and dinner immediately after. A sign-up sheet will be made available for those who would like to attend. Contact is Sharon Riddle—243-2712

Children's Spring Event

Saturday, April 7, from 10:30 am to Noon in the fellowship hall, we'll have an event for children in grades K through 5th. Join us for games, activities, and refreshments and we'll end with an Easter egg hunt. Bring your Easter basket and a friend (and get a special prize for both of you). Parents are welcome to drop kids off. Younger children may attend as long as they bring their own adult. We need filled Easter eggs, jelly beans, and M & M's. Leave these in the box on the table in the fellowship hall. Teen and adult help will be needed at the event and beforehand. See Lesa Brassette.

Childers Baby Shower

Ladies, mark your calendars for 10 AM, Saturday, March 31, when we will have a brunch here at the building to celebrate the arrival of baby Gauge, son of Lee and Candice Childers. Candice needs diapers or clothing larger than 9 months size. Children's books would be nice too.

All attending are asked to bring a brunch item. Please call Wilma Seela if you have any questions.

April 11, 2012—Eastern European Missionary to Speak

Ben Mereness of EEM, which is a ministry sending Bibles to the Ukraine public schools, will be here to speak on Wednesday evening, April 11 in the auditorium. Adults, High School and Middle School will meet in the auditorium at 7 PM.

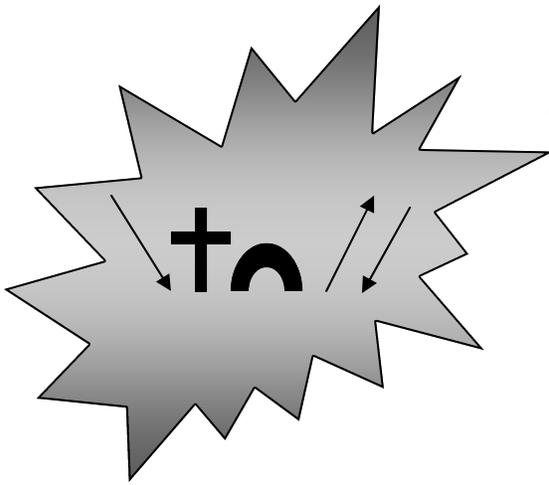
**Sandy and Farrel Harris
are inviting you to celebrate with them
their 50th wedding anniversary**



**Friday March 30, 2012
Open House 5 to 8 p.m.
At Patterson Road Church of Christ
2893 Patterson Road
Grand Junction, Colorado
Your presence is gift enough!**

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Welcome to the church of Christ of Grand Junction! If you are visiting with us we want you to know how honored we are to have you. It is our desire to love God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love our neighbors as ourselves (Mark 22:30,31). We are attempting to share His love with others through following Jesus' words, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). If you have any questions about anything that you hear taught or see practiced we would be glad to share with you the reasons for the faith we have. Just speak with one of our shepherds or ministers or call 970-245-4210 and we will gladly assist you!

COME WORSHIP WITH US

We're On the Web
grandjunctionchurch.org

- Newsletter
- Announcements
- Women's Ministry
- Audio Sermons

Soul Care Ministry

We need each other. Many of us fight our greatest battles all alone, but we don't have to. Trained peer counselors are available to truly listen. Free and confidential.

Call 260-7309

BIBLE CLASS AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Dane Jennings—Auditorium
Dave Scheuerman—One Year Bible Study—103
Scott Ferguson, — Young Marrieds—202
College/Young Adult—Traders Coffee

High School—203

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7- 8 PM

Bobby Heath—II Timothy—Auditorium
Hymn Class—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

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

*So I say unto you: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and the door will be opened to you."
Luke 11:9*