



Real Life News & Notes

Patterson Road church of Christ

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

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Outreach Opportunities

Outreach opportunities. They come at the most unexpected times and in the most unusual places. Once on a flight from Grand Junction to Denver I sat next to a lady who slept most of the way. She might somehow have surmised that I was a preacher and have really been pretending to be asleep so she would not have to talk with me. However, when she stirred ever so slightly I spoke to her. Actually it could have been me sleeping and her uttering the first word. In any case we talked a bit before landing and I gave her my card in case she ever wanted to communicate some more. Four months later she called and wanted to talk. We are continuing our conversation about faith in Jesus on a regular basis.

Likewise, Jesus was traveling once, he got tired, so he stopped at a well to rest at noontime in a Samaritan city called Sychar. There he met a pre-pentamarrried (previously married 5 times) Samaritan woman who showed up to get water. Jesus shared his identity and purpose with her and she became a believer. His disciples returned from the city with food but he said, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest." (John 4:34,35)

Open your eyes, all around us are people needing hope, forgiveness, love and acceptance. They may not come to our church building, we may have to meet them at their well. Will at the well we be willing to share? One reason for our present series of Wednesday night classes is to prepare us for sharing. As a reminder, following are some of the topics we've been discussing. They are subjects that Joseph in the Old Testament dealt with and they are still relevant topics to people today. We have already discussed, "Making Dreams Come True", "Overcoming Dysfunctional Family Ties", "Beating Bullying", "Positive Parenting", "How to Have a Magnificent Marriage", and "Finding Sexual Fulfillment". Topics coming up in order are, "Excess Baggage We Carry", "Forgiveness and Freedom", and "Aging Gracefully". Please join us in finding out how to share God's good news on these important topics with people you meet.

Notice that in both of the examples mentioned above women were a part of the story. This being Mothers Day I think it essential to connect mothering and faith. So many of us have our mothers to thank for our faith. They often were/are the ones getting us to church, doing prayers and Bible stories at night with us, and in general trying to help us find and live our faith. I think of Jesus' mother Mary, making sure he got to the synagogue weekly and to the festivals in Jerusalem annually. Paul said to Timothy, "I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also" (II Timothy 1:5). Timothy's mother influenced him as Jesus' mother did for Jesus. Later, in Jesus ministry, women had a big role in supporting His preaching. "These women were helping to support them out of their own means" (Luke 8:3). Thank God for mothers and women who make sure their children have faith and that their children are active in sharing their faith as well.

By the way, it is written in John 4:39 of the Samaritan woman at the well, "Many of the Samaritans from the town believed in him because of the woman's testimony". This woman also had a great impact for Jesus on those in her sphere of influence.

Let's share our faith! John Cooper

Memory Verse For May—Ephesians 2:5

"by grace you have been saved"

OUR GATHERING TODAY

Baby Dedication: Our Shepherds will pray for and bless our new babies this morning. We join these families in asking God to grow, protect, and lead these children into a life of loving service as they choose someday to call Jesus "Lord" and share in his resurrection through baptism. Our blessing and prayers are also with the parents of these little ones. May they be gifted with energy, patience, wisdom, and lives that set a strong and clear example of faith in Christ as they daily walk in the Kingdom of God.

Sermon: As we honor God's most amazing and wonderful creation, **mothers**, we will look to an unlikely Mother's Day passage in First Kings 3. May we feast on his Word together this morning and be challenged and blessed. **We appreciate all the wonderful mother's in our church family and especially pray for those who today remember their mothers who are ill, aging, or have passed away.**

Guests: Thank you for being here this morning. Please let us greet you and know how we might pray for you or otherwise serve you. If you embrace Jesus as Lord then we embrace you as our fellow Kingdom travelers and invite you to share in communion with us as it is passed to you today. Please enjoy the gift bread and fill out the card and place it in the offering tray.

Honduras Mission

The Honduran mission effort is coming up in July. Today there will be a special contribution to help fund the mission. **We are starting to collect tooth paste, tooth brushes and Ibuprofen** to take with us. There will be a collection box in the lobby until Sunday June 29th. If you have questions, see Mike Hughes.

VBS Volunteer Forms

Please take a moment and complete the form enclosed with the bulletin indicating how you can help with VBS! There is a box on the table in the foyer where you can turn in completed forms! We have a place for everyone who wants to minister to our children.

Mother's Day Sunday

Today, we will be having our baby dedication. This is a short ceremony and prayer at the beginning of the worship service. Feel free to take pictures if you like. We would like to have both parents come to front with child, if possible.

Church Picnic

Our annual church picnic will be on May 18 at the Lion's Club shelter in Riverbend Park, Palisade. We will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring side dishes and/or desserts. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

House Fire

April Hoppe, a friend of Celina Martinez, has lost most everything in a recent house fire. April has a girl, 6 years old and a boy, 9 years old. They are in need of clothing, shoes, toys and other basic needs. If you can help, see Celina. She is in the auditorium today.

Youth Summer Camp Meeting

Today (May 11), all interested adults are invited to meet in the junior high classroom for a meeting about summer camp. If you are interested in being a part of camp, it's not too late! Contact Brian or come to the meeting for more details.

John Cooper Activities

John Cooper will be gone from May 14 through May 18. He will be speaking at the Men's Retreat in Pennsylvania Friday and Saturday and also be speaking at the Area Wide Preachers Luncheon in Pittman, NJ on Thursday. Keep him in your prayers for a safe and productive trip. He is so appreciative of the opportunities for outreach and thanks the congregation for their much needed support behind his efforts.

Thank You

The Norton family would like to express how deeply moved we all were over the showers of generosity bestowed upon the graduates. The unexpected outpouring of gifts, cards, money, support, and love towards Rayleigh and the three others was astounding. Even though we have only been a part of this family for a short while, we feel so very welcome and loved. Thank you immensely for rejoicing with us during this exciting time (Rom. 12:15). The Norton family would like to express how deeply moved we all were over the showers of generosity bestowed upon the graduates. The unexpected outpouring of gifts, cards, money, support, and love towards Rayleigh and the three others was astounding. Even though we have only been a part of this family for a short while, we feel so very welcome and loved. Thank you immensely for rejoicing with us during this exciting time (Rom. 12:15).

Thank you to Craig & Elaine Roberts for the re-decorating of both the men's and women's restrooms downstairs. All the work and material was donated by the Roberts and the restrooms are beautiful. Thank you so much!!!!

Foyer Project

The Art Guild ministry led by Cindy King will be decorating and upgrading the foyer starting in June and the picture boards will be coming down. If you would like to keep your pictures, please take them down as soon as possible.

Please add the following to your daily prayers. Your prayers are very important and are very much appreciated.

Ranelle Noble requests prayers for her daughter Kelli Whiting as she fights stage 3 cancer. Ranelle will be with us until May 18. Pray for comfort and healing for Kelli and strength for her and her family.

Continue to pray for Kelly Roper, Laura, Sharlene Francisco, John Reed, James Osmondson, Gabe Wilkins, Sherry Bradley, Kay Gehrett, Susan Towles, Donna Ault, Becky Cornett, Verlyn Matthews, Linda Carly, Tana Ingram. These have ongoing issues as were listed in prior in last weeks bulletin.

Continue to pray for Brian Peacock's healing. And for Brian and Rachel as he starts a new job. Pray God will guide them, and will use them as a positive influence for the new people, especially the youth that will be brought into the ir lives as he teaches in a public school.

Continue to pray for those who have lost loved one recently, the Cathey family,in the loss of Mary, the family of Sherri Crowe's mom in her passing, , the family of Neva Daniels, and Mary Mendenhall's family in the death of her sister, Barb Roth.

Pray for Tom and Kathy Deister, and for Tom's mother Genie. Pray for healing for Kathy and Genie and for Tom as he requested of us on Sunday.

LYNNE HARVEY has a severe infection in her foot and is taking medication. Keep her in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

Pray for those who are victims of the severe storms that have hit in so many places recently. Pray God will be their comfort and help, and will guide them through the days ahead, as they rebuild their lives and homes.

Continue to pray for our missionaries and families, the persecuted church around the world, our nation and it's leaders and the world leaders, our Military people and their families...and for our church family here. These all need our prayers on a daily basis. Pray God's blessings and guidance to be with all of them that His will be done in all things.

Jerry Tallman will be in Montrose from June 1 through June 4 to present "His Eternal Plan". This program is designed to assist the congregation in personal evangelism. He asks for prayers for friends and neighbors that a door will open to study God's Word with them. Members of this congregation are invited to attend.



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For the Record

May 4, 2014

Attendance	265
Average Attendance, 4th qtr.	238
Contributions	\$8,164.00
Special (Honduras)	\$5,857.00
Budget	\$6,726.00

Communion Preparation—May

Barbara Akers

Communion Table 5/11/14

Mike Hurd

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in May

Marvin Trumbo
A. J. Urbina
Vince Urbina
Dan Vorse
Josh Vorse
Matthew Vorse
Bill Wade
Parish Williams

Announcements: **Scott Ferguson—May**
Curtis Fleming—June
Ron Wilson—July

Sunday Morning Worship begins at 10:15 AM

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

Tom Deister—Auditorium
Young Adult (Under 30)—Room 207
Bob & Bobby Heath, O.T. Survey—202

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7– 8 PM

John Cooper—Life's Lessons—Auditorium

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
High School—203

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 at Mesa View Retirement Center Starts At 10 A.M.

May 11
May 18
May 25
June 1

Bill Tidwell Dave Scheuerman
Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt
Bud Treu, Mike Hurd
Bill Barslund, Sandy Harris

Col. 2:6-23
Col. 3:1-17
Col. 3:18-4:1
Col. 4:2-6

1 Corinthians 16:13

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong.