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Real Life News & Notes

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers



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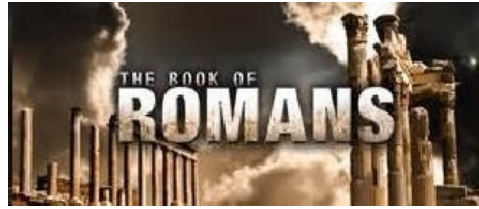
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Elder Of Month

Tony Clayton

Our Gathering Today



Feeding on the Word!

When in Rome, Obey the Romans! This morning we take a closer look at Paul's expectations for the church as they relate to their governing civil authority. We will digest Romans 13:1-7 and see what our obligation is to "Rome." Whether our "Rome" is the government of America, Russia, Canada, India, Mexico, Ireland, Syria, Saudi Arabia or wherever, Christians are called to think and act in a certain way towards those with authority over us. Hope you brought your Bible!

Welcome Guests!

Thank you for being with us this morning!

(Please help yourself to coffee, juice, and donuts.)

May you be spiritually fed and encouraged this morning by our simple gathering in the name of Jesus Christ as we sing, pray, share communion, encourage each other and open the Word of God together. We dismiss by about 11:30.

View our web site at grandjunctionchurch.org and Face Book page **Church of Christ of Grand Junction to discover a little more about us.

From our Shepherds: Starting **Sunday June 25**, and each month thereafter, our "**Elder of the Month**" will write an article in the bulletin. We know their words will bless, encourage and challenge the flock. We appreciate the difficult, spiritual work these men do and realize we, the church, are their best asset to help, serve, visit, call, encourage and be the hands of the body each day! Let's encourage our Shepherds as they encourage us to serve others and live worthy of our calling!

Monument Award: *At this time of year we honor one who has served our church family the previous year in unique ways. This morning we will take a moment to recognize our Special Monumental member! (Also, see the newly placed plaques across from Jimmie's office.)*

Love One Another

Memory Verse For June: Proverbs 15:1 a

A gentle answer will calm a person's anger.

Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)

Move

I was recently reminded by a preacher friend (who prefers his name not be used) of the unfortunate standoffs that often occur between people. I made a few changes and despite the thoughts not being original with me I felt the challenges compelling, practical and worthy of our attention. **Be blessed . . .**

In **Matthew 5:23-24** Jesus tells us that if we are heading into worship and we realize that we have done wrong (“*If your brother has anything against you*”) we are to immediately leave our gift at the altar and go to that brother to be reconciled so that we can walk into worship together. **There is no waiting, no cooling off time...move!**

In **Matthew 18:15** Jesus tells us that if our brother has hurt us...we are to **go to him** to be reconciled quickly. Notice that? Whether you hurt someone else or they hurt you, it is **your turn to move**. It is **on you** to make the first move.

Back when I had a counseling practice (*my friend writes*) it was a constant source of frustration how many people waited for the other one to move. A husband would say he would live up to his responsibilities once his wife lived up to hers or once she changed this or that. The wife would say that she knew she was to love her husband and she would... as soon as he changed this or that.

In churches (*my friend continues*) I would find people slipping in as we were singing the first song and slipping out quickly after the last song, never taking the initiative to be friendly or interact with others and then declaring the church **unfriendly**. I would remind them that being friendly and available results in friends. Their response: ***I will when they do***

We cannot wait until others love us before we love them. We cannot wait until others sacrifice for us before we sacrifice for them. God showed us how to take the initiative and move first. “**While we were yet sinners Christ died for us.**” (**Romans 5:8**). As Jesus’ followers – and **this is the hard part – it is always your turn. . . . Then what?**

Sadly, there are times when it’s wise to **shake the dust off our feet (Matthew 10:14)** and **move on** knowing our best efforts cannot be forced on those unwilling to receive, repent and change their behavior. We are not required to endlessly return and be insulted, betrayed, demeaned or disappointed. Jesus tells us to do what we can and if that fails, move on, no longer “**casting your pearls before pigs.**” (**Matthew 7:6**). **Jesus loves us and desires peace for us, not the constant turmoil (I Corinthians 7:15) that comes with spending our lives in a futile effort to win what cannot be won.**

Remember, as one who calls Jesus “Lord,” it is always **your turn to move first**. And if it fails? Keep no record of that, forgive and **...move on!** For there is always more healing to be done, more reconciliation to be initiated, more joy to be shared, more love to be given, more life to be lived!

VBS News and Information!

VBS is June 19-23, 6-8 pm, ages 4 through Middle School



> Program for Middles will be separate but the same theme! Special speakers and activities for their age group!

> Volunteers still needed! Sign up forms in the foyer or electronically on line! Be a part of this life changing (yours & theirs) ministry!

> Online registration for kids is LIVE now

> Paper Registration forms for kids are in the foyer today!

> Jenna Hill needs paper towel cardboard tubes for crafts at VBS ASAP!

Attention all men:

There will be an upcoming skeet shoot on June 24, 2017 starting @ 8:00am. There will be a sign up sheet and further details to come. Thanks Bo

CCYC Registration is Open

Registration for Colorado Christian Youth Camp (CCYC) is now open! This year our theme is "Identity" and the dates are July 2-7. Camp is open to those that are 10 years old by July 1, 2017 through this year's high school graduates. Cost is \$140. To register please go to our church website and click on the CCYC tab. If you are interested in volunteering to work at camp, please use the same link to apply.

Linus Project

We are asking for help in purchasing or preparing the fleece. If you purchase, buy in 1/1/2 yard length, 60 inches wide. If you are interested in preparing, see Sharon Riddle. We have, in the past, donated hundreds of beautiful blankets to children in need or just to encourage a sick child.

Coffee Can Ministry Needs

Thanks to the generosity of our members, we were able to distribute 22 containers to those less fortunate at our first Distribution Day on May 20! The recipients were very appreciative to receive the items. The project continues to rely on your donations. We have plenty of soap, lotion, shampoo and conditioner at this time, though we will not turn anything away! The following items are needed:

Toothbrushes, Toothpaste (Travel size), Mouthwash (Travel size), Deodorant (Travel size), Small flashlights with batteries (3A), Nail clippers, Lip balm, Band-aids, Elastic hair ties, Hand sanitizers, Bug repellent wipes, socks. Contact Karen Wade, Glenda Scheuerman or Pam Hurd for any questions.

CCYC Scholarship Special Contribution

Sunday, June 11th. Please prayerfully consider helping send a student to camp.

Berries and Cream Fellowship

There will be a Berries and Ice Cream Fellowship in the Pit on June 18 at 6 PM. Bring your favorite ice cream, toppings and berries of your choice. Everyone is invited.

Wednesday Night Classes Cancelled

There will be no regular Bible classes or PiT on Wednesday, June 21, due to VBS. Classes will follow the regular layout on June 14 and then return on June 28.

Please pray this week for these requests we have received. It means a great deal to them and their families. Thank You and God Bless.

Pray for Sandi Fairbanks, the mother of Joel Trumbo's friend Ben. She has been diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer.

Pray for Della Fiske-Turner's friend Arlene Schweitzer, (she is also one of our quilting group) She has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. Surgery was scheduled for this week sometime.

Also pray for Della's friend Linda Klassen who is treatment for liver cancer, for her healing and comfort and successful treatment. And for her family.

Continued prayers are needed for those with ongoing issues; Stan Hurd, Shane Briggs, Wes Beaver's mom, Sandi, Della Bingham's friend David, Bob Tucker, Debra Trahern...all are fighting cancer. Please continue to bring them and their families before the Lord for healing, comfort and strength.

Also continue prayers for Tom and Robin English, Bill Tidwell, and Betsey Brown.

Pray that the health issues that Scott Hendricks is having will be diagnosed and can be treated. Pray for his healing and for his comfort and peace as well as his family's.

Please pray for Lynne Harvey as the long time infection in her foot has returned.

Pray for Verlyn and Theresa Mathews. There are no details at this time but Verlyn called reporting that Theresa has cancer.

Please continue to pray for the VBS and the Camp up coming. Pray for all those involved and that they will be instrumental in bringing many to the Lord. Ask God to bless them all as they show Christ's love to the young people.

Prayers of thanksgiving to God for his mercy and grace, His answered prayers, His abiding love and watch care, and all the blessings we received from His hand.

Pray for Bob Howard's brother in law, Joe, who is having surgery for esophageal cancer on the 19th. Pray for the Drs caring for him, for successful surgery, for healing and comfort. And for his family.

Pray for Regina, a friend of Jan Nelson's who is in the final stages of cancer. Pray for comfort and peace in her final days and also for her family.

Huddle Schedule

- > No Huddle today or next week!
- > **June 25** - 6-8 pm at Kolby's house!
- > **July 9** - Annual Post-camp Huddle at the Heaths' house
- > **July 23** - At the Fergusons' House

Other Youth News:

> Middles, sign up for your VBS program now! It's gonna be awesome! June 19-23, 6 to 8 p.m. BE THERE!!

> High Schoolers ... Lesa could use your help at VBS. Email or text (640-2243) her if you can help and she'll plug you in!



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For the Record

June 4, 2017

Attendance	272
Weekly Contributions 6/4/17	\$9,380.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,465.00
Weekly Budget	\$6,521.00

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in June

Ted Reaves
Ed Riddle
Tim Riddle
Craig Roberts
Randy Romkee
Richard Sisco
Eddie Tinkle

Communion Preparation—June

Tom & Kathy Deister

Communion Table 6/11/17

Bill Barslund

Announcements—June

David Downey

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

Dee Hawkinson	Auditorium
Tom Deister	103
Michael Applebee	207

Wednesday Evening Bible Classes 7—7:45 PM

Roy Karo	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 resumes September 7, 2017

Ladies Bible Class, - (Suspended for Summer)

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