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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!

When in Rome, There is Good News! Today we go back to chapter one where we find another often quoted and powerful passage. Paul had a past. He said things. He did things, horrible things. And yet when the scales fell from his eyes he was transformed, had a renewed mind and became a living sacrifice. He reminded the Roman church just how powerful this good news is to all and how he could never, ever be ashamed of it. See you in **Romans 1:16** in a while!

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.

Guest Preachers: The next two Sunday's Ann and I will be in Spain and Italy on vacation with our daughter Mary. Sunday July 2nd **Tom Deister** will preach and July 9th **Roy Karo** will preach. *Thanks to these men for their willingness to fill in for me. You all will be blessed to hear them!*

Bulletin Article: On the next page you will find the first installment of "**From the Shepherd's pen**" written by **Tony Clayton**. Each month our "elder of the month" will write a guest article. We look forward to their wisdom and encouragement!

Love One Another!

Memory Verse For June: Proverbs 15:1 a

A gentle answer will calm a person's anger.



From the Shepherd's Pen
(a monthly word from our elders)

Reflections from the beach.

I recently had the opportunity to walk along a beach in the Caribbean. This beach had many things in common with other beaches and yet it had some differences also. There were waves and sand, seagrass, shells, sea creatures, and beautifully formed and shaped driftwood. It was a banquet of sights, sounds, smells, and touch that filled the senses. As I was walking along, with the soft sands beneath my feet, I became acutely attuned to the rhythm of the waves crashing on shore and rolling up and along the beach.

As each wave cycle came ashore and glided effortlessly along the sand, each wave set appeared similar in size and sound to the previous wave. Some waves were more powerful than others, with some traveling further onto shore than their predecessor. I watched in curiosity as the waves advanced over the beach and covered the depressions my footsteps had made in the sand. When the waves had reached their maximum point of advance on the beach, they retreated back into the sea, leaving a smooth, shiny, unblemished sandy beach. The locations of my footprint defects in the sand were gone, as though they never existed. This cycle repeated itself with every step I took and wave action that followed. The only way I could prevent this action was to move away from the water's edge to a point where the waves could not cover my footsteps. I could not stop the waves, divert their direction, nor block their advance. I either stayed by the water and accepted the inevitable, or I fled inland away from the waves where my footprints, depressions and imperfections in the sand were left exposed.

The similarities of this beach scene to the washing and cleansing blood of our Savior are simple and yet profound. Every day we live on this earth we leave our own imperfections in the sands of life; some good and some perhaps not so much. We as believers can have perfect peace and unwavering confidence in knowing that our belief and faith in Jesus Christ washes our lives clean like the ocean waters on the sands of the sea shore and leaves us smooth and unblemished before God. If we stay close to the water and not avoid it, the rhythm of Jesus' blood will continually wash over us and make us smooth and pristine before God. We, living in faith, cannot out sin God's grace, love, and forgiveness if we stay close to him and his son.

John 10: 14-15 tells us that Jesus not only knows us and calls us by name, but he laid down his life for us. When we realize how much we matter to God, why wouldn't we want to walk in the purifying waters of salvation along the seashore of God's amazing love?

Your brother in Christ;
Tony Clayton

CCYC Scholarship Donations

Thank you for your generosity! We have received \$3802 in scholarship donations. A heartfelt thank you to all who made donations; your donations make camp possible. Please continue to pray for camp.

Physicals for CCYC

Medical personnel from our church are graciously providing physicals *for those attending CCYC 2017*. If you need a physical to attend CCYC be here on Wednesday, June 28 at 7:00pm. This is the only date for physicals this year.

Coffee Can Ministry Needs

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.

Successful VBS

I want to offer my biggest bunch of thanks to all those who made VBS possible this year. From amazing decorating team, from our tour guides to station leaders, from our prayer team to our van drivers, from those who brought kids and led kids and loved kids, this Body of Christ show HIS love in such a big way. Thank you for showing up, sharing your time and opening your hearts. You were most definitely the welcoming arms of Jesus to many this week!
Love, Lesa

New Arrival

Dick Truitt is the great grandfather of a baby girl born prematurely. She weighed 1 pound 4 ounces. Mother and baby seem to be healthy yet the baby is in for a long stay in the hospital. Keep Dick and his family in your prayers.

Help Needed

Ted Carver lives in Loma. He needs a ride to the 10:15 Sunday worship service. You can use his car to drive him. He also needs a caregiver 2 to 3 times a week. You would be paid for your services. If you can help, Phone 303-424-8810

Please pray for the following request in your daily prayers this week ...thank you and God bless!!

Prayers of thanksgiving for the answered prayer for Stan Hurd and Debra Trahern who have had good reports in the illnesses. Stan had been able to go home after chemo treatments and Debra's tumor has shrunk from grapefruit size to almond size. Continued prays for both of them that the healing will continue and they will once again be cancer free.

Continue to pray for Peg Sisco's friend , Robin, who will be having surgery for endometrial cancer on July 11. Pray for the surgery to be successful. for comfort and strength for her and peace for her family.

Pray for Verlyn and Theresa Mathews as the both struggle with health issues. Pray they will have a good report for Theresa when she goes to the Dr to be checked, and that the cancer is gone. Pray for strength and comfort for them both and healing.

Those that have on going issues need our ongoing prayers;

Lynne Harveyinfection in foot
Sandi Fairbanks...stage 4 breast cancer
Arlene Schweitzer, brain tumor
Linda Klassen...liver cancer
Shane Briggs Leukemia
Sandi, Wes Beaver's mom..cancer
David, leukemia
Bub Tucker...cancer
Tom and Robin English
Bill Tidwell...kidney issues
Scott Hendricks
Bob Howard's brother in law, Joe...esophageal cancer
Jan Nelson's friend Janice...blood infection
The upcoming summer camp...all those involved.

Prayers of thanksgiving to God for all the blessings we receive from His hand and for all the promises that we have from Him which He always keeps.

Huddle Schedule

Tonight!

June 25 - 6-8 pm at Kolby's house!

Kolby lives at 915 20 Road - Fruita 81521. Meet at the building at 5:30 to ride in the van. Girls bring desserts and boys bring drinks. Invite a friend and bring a towel and water balloons as there was mighty bold talk of a water balloon fight, should you choose to participate!

> **July 9** - Annual Post-camp Huddle at the Heaths' house
> **July 23** - At the Fergusons' House

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



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For the Record

June 18, 2017

Attendance	272
Weekly Contributions 6/18/17	\$5,149.00
Contribution 4 week average	\$6,273.75
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 6/25/17

Phillip Bagga

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