



Real Life News & Notes

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The God of all Comfort

Paul shares these words of encouragement in II Corinthians 1:3,4- “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.”

God cares about us and the tribulation we face. One man shared some thoughts with me as he learned of my mother’s passing. He said something that I had said so many times to others in similar situations, “I don’t know how people cope without faith in God.” One of the real blessings of being a believer in Jesus is the reality of better days beyond the grave.

One of my Mom’s favorite passages was II Corinthians 4:8,9,17,18- “We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed-...Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inner man is being renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.” My Mom lived for the unseen eternal things and is now enjoying the reward of her faith.

See you soon Mom! John

Youth Section

In 1950, just a couple years after the India became independent, an organization decided to conduct a survey asking people how their lives had changed since the British had left. The British had ruled India for about two hundred years, so you might think that the transition would be pretty dramatic for most people. Some thought that people would say their lives had gotten harder, some thought they'd say things were better. But their results were not what either group expected. The survey had to be cut short when the researchers realized that the vast majority of Indians didn't know that the British had left. But it gets crazier. Nearly all of those people didn't even know that the British had *ever arrived*.

Two thousand-ish years ago, God became a human being and began making things right. Huge news, right? If it's true, then it's the most important event that has ever occurred in human history. But most of the world has missed the boat on this one. Many have never heard the name of Jesus. A whole lot might have heard the name, but they don't know what it means for them and for the world. Is the way that we're living and are the words that we're speaking making the news of Jesus more clear or less clear to the people around us? What more can we be doing to show the world that this is important and *good* news?

No huddle tonight: It's getting to be that time of year. Spend some time with your families! Catch up on some homework. Curl up by the fire and read a good book.

Pit on Wednesday: I know who the speaker's going to be, and I know you'll all regret it if you miss out. Bring your bibles and let's do dinner and a devo!

Memory Verse For September: I Peter 2:24
“by His wounds you have been healed”.

Order of Worship

<p><u>Children's Verse</u> <u>Announcements</u>—Ron Wilson <u>Song Leader:</u> Kit Hatfield <u>Greeting Time</u></p> <p><u>Songs & Scripture to be announced</u></p> <p><u>Lord's Supper</u></p> <p><u>Offering</u></p> <p><u>Sermon: "Not Snakes!" - Doug Clayton</u></p> <p><u>Invitation</u></p> <p><u>Dismissal</u></p>	<p><u>Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in</u> <u>September</u></p> <p>Eric Pennal Ted Reaves Ed Riddle Tim Riddle Craig Roberts Randy Romkee Bryce Sanburg David Scheuerman</p> <p><u>Announcements</u></p> <p><u>September</u>—Ron Wilson <u>October</u>-Vince Urbina <u>November</u>—Curtis Fleming</p> <hr/> <p><u>For the Record</u> <u>Sept. 2, 2012</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Attendance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">264</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Average Attendance, 2nd qtr.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">280</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contributions</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8,216.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Budget</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$6,715.30</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Communion Preparation</u>—September</p> <p>Leesha Kenney/Susan Towles</p>	Attendance	264	Average Attendance, 2nd qtr.	280	Contributions	\$8,216.00	Budget	\$6,715.30
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Prayer Requests

Pray for those who have lost loved ones recently, the family of Alma COOPER and Jack JACKSON. Pray for God to bless them with His peace, comfort and strength RICHARD MOORE....pray for comfort and healing for him. He is in Room 110 at Community under quarantine and perhaps will be moved to LaVilla Grande soon. KEN GARRISON....He is re-hab at Larchwood. VERLYN MATHEWS – He must go to Denver for further treatment. Pray that his pain may subside and his health will improve.

There are many we need to continue to pray for that have ongoing issues of one kind or another. Please keep them in your daily prayers along with their families.

DAN SCOTT & PETE SAENZ....both have Gillian Barre Syndrome
CHERYL WILKINSON, DEBBIE ZORNS, ROXANNE MORRIS, LEE CHILDERS....all dealing with cancer
BERNITA WESTLING, HEIDI ELI & GAYLON MUMMA, all have serious health issues.
RAMSEY and family...drug issues
CHYLA CONNELL.... Heart condition, pray for right decisions concerning treatment/surgery.
MIDGE DOWNEY, ELLEN FANT.. pray for continued healing for both.

Also continue to pray for our MISSIONARIES and for the church in countries where Christians are persecuted. For safety and strength and wisdom for all. And the church in Guam that John works with needs our prayers.

RAIN....some areas have had a little relief from the drought but many are still suffering....so pray for rain to come to relieve the serious drought areas.

CAMPUS MINISTRY....Pray for the ministry on the MSU campus will be successful and will bring many to a knowledge of /closer walk with God. Give those working in it wisdom and strength and guidance as they present the Gospel to the students.

Pray for our NATION, for our LEADERS as well as the leaders around the world. Pray for them to lead with God's wisdom and not theirs. (II Chronicles 7:14)

Pray for repentance and revival among God's people. Pray for the upcoming election, for guidance in whom to vote for and for God's will to be done in it all.

Pray for our MILITARY all over the world. Pray for their safety, physically spiritually, and emotionally. Pray for them to soon be brought home to their families...and pray for their families as they wait.

PRESTON DIXON—He underwent hip replacement surgery last week at St. Mary's Hospital.

KYLE BEAVER-He was admitted to the VA Hospital Room 5001 last week with ulcerative colitis and extreme weight loss. Please pray that he may be fully recover.

Visitors, Sept. 2, 2012

Kathleen Love-Hermiston, Or.
Don & Nancy Frick-Benton, KY
Jim & Pat Coale-Blanchard, OK

Annual Clothing Drive and Giveaway

Our annual clothing drive is fast approaching. We will collect clothing October 15—26. The giveaway will be November 1—3. We will need a lot of help to keep this ministry going. We have a lot of contact with outside people and help many families during the giveaway. More details will be given later.

Elders Classes

The Elders have begun a 13 week course on **“What the Bible Says and Doesn't Say about”** on Sunday mornings, at 9 am in the auditorium . This class will include adults of all age groups. All are encouraged to attend.

Ladies Retreat Notice

Ladies, please make every effort to attend the retreat October 19 & 20 at the Wine Country Inn. Return registration forms by September 19 to church office. If you plan on spending the night, make hotel reservations through the Wine Country Inn.

Ladies' Bunco Night

It's BACK! Friday, September 21, from 6:30 to 9 pm, we'll have a ladies' Bunco night in the fellowship hall. Bring a friend, a card table if you have one, and a snack to share. If you can bring a prize, please let Lesa Brassette know. Contact Lesa with questions!

Address Change

Carolyn Deberry has a new address. She has recently moved from Fruita to:

252 Teller Ave.,
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Her new home phone number is 433-7143 and her cell remains the same.

Ladies Retreat Committee

Ladies Retreat Committee meets Wednesday, September 12 at 6 PM in Jr. High classroom (above foyer). Everyone please try to be present to bring together many details to make our retreat a very special time.

Missions Meeting Planned

There will be a missions meeting next Monday night September the 10th. at 7 p.m. at Melva Wilbanks home. See Chuck Tourney for questions.

Found—Camera Memory Card

A 4.0 gig photo memory card was recently found in the parking lot. If you have lost it, please stop by the office and pick it up.



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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

Join us on Impact Sunday.
Be a tool in God's hand. Help us build on the Rock. Join WBS with an Impact Sunday **September 16, 2012**
Because...
we're building on...
THE ROCK!


Mesa View Service Schedule, 10 AM Sundays

Date	Servant Team	Study Text
Sept 9	Dean Blanck, Hunt Zumwalt	Matthew 18:1-6
Sept 16	Bill Tidwell, Wes Yeager	Matthew 19:16-30
Sept 23	Bob Heath, Sandy Harris	Matthew 20:20-28
Sept 30	Mike Hurd, Bud Treu	Matthew 22:1-14

Note: If you are not able to serve on the assigned date please trade with another team. Team members should communicate ahead of time about who will be responsible for songs, communion and the Bible lesson. Remember, family members are also welcome and encouraged to attend.

BIBLE CLASS AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Elders Integrated Classes—Auditorium
Scott Ferguson, Young Marrieds—202
College/Young Adult—Traders Coffee

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 Adult Classes—7- 8 PM

Bob Heath—Book of Acts—Auditorium
Hymn Class—103

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

"For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me, his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God, who has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of His own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time." 2 Timothy 1: 7—9, NIV