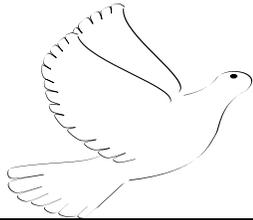


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Real Life News & Notes

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Heading Home

Tomorrow, Thursday, I am heading home Lord willing. It will be nice to be back. It has been a good mission trip to Guam and I think things are going in the right direction here. Today is Wednesday and I just finished a lecture on "Animal Rights" at the University of Guam. One of the church members here works with the Agricultural Department at U.O.G. and asked me to speak to his class. Seemed it went well and had an interesting exchange with one of the students, a young lady from the Czech Republic who let me know she was an atheist. I mentioned that defending my faith in the existence of God was something we could talk about on my next visit. "That could take hours", she said. One of the other students said "That is a good topic"... Encouraging beginning for a future time.

Late last week I had gotten former Governor Joe Ada on the phone and he got in contact with administrators at U.O.G. It was just too short notice to do any lectures in the Philosophy Department this time but they are wanting me to let them know when I am coming again so they can arrange it then. Alex Coloma, the local preacher her, and I met with one of the U.O.G. staff members and I was able to show him my power-point presentation on "Recent Scientific Discoveries and The Existence of God." He was impressed and definitely wants me to return and try again to speak to a science or philosophy class.

Last night Alex and I went to a area wide religious leaders meeting. There were representatives from the Jewish faith, Baha'i faith, Muslim, Mormon, Hindu and a few others. An Episcopal priest who I had shown the same presentation mentioned above to asked me to come as he would like me to talk with some of his friends who attended this meeting. Hopefully, another "open door."

On a sad note, Diana Cruz passed away yesterday. I certainly believe she has gone on to her reward, so it is really not so sad after all. Holly and I have known her and her husband Johnny since our first time here on Guam in 1974-76. It seemed providential that I could be here to comfort Johnny. He is the church member with a boat that he took me fishing on two years ago. So wonderful to know that our loved ones are going to be fine because of their faith in Jesus. How miserable life would be without Heaven to go home to.

In His love and protection, John Cooper

Youth Section

In 1940, the German army had overrun France and sat on the shore of the English channel, facing the seemingly helpless nation of Great Britain. In the aftermath of one of the greatest military disasters in British history, most people believed that a British defeat was inevitable. Their army had no tanks, no heavy guns. Their air force was outnumbered. But one man, Prime Minister Winston Churchill, refused to consider any sort of negotiations with the Germans.

Churchill had an almost irrational faith in the skill, resolve, and ultimate destiny of the British people. He thought he knew how the story would end: the British would ultimately prevail, no matter what. All that he had to do was press on, and in the end there would be victory.

We Christians have faith in something more powerful than any nation or people. We know how the story ends! Even when things seem helpless, when destruction stares us in the face, we can press on with confidence in the victory of God!

Huddle tonight: Join us at 6pm tonight at Doug and Ann Clayton's house at 617 Devin Drive for food, fellowship, and a devo! The only thing netter than hearing Doug speak once in a day is hearing him speak *twice* in a day! You don't want to miss this.

Wednesday night: Pit has gone into hibernation, but just like the marmot and the bear it will return in the spring! For now, join us at **7pm** in the high school room for fellowship, singing, and an insightful talk!

Memory Verse For November:

Order of Worship

Children’s Verse—John Cooper
Announcements—Curtis Fleming
Song Leader— Lane Coale

2013 Purposing Card Collection—Tom Deister

Honored to Serve the Lord’s Table in
November

Dan Vorse
 Josh Vorse
 Matthew Vorse
 Nathan Walker
 Jeremiah Watson
 Rick Wilkins
 Jeff Yeager
 Wes Yeager

Announcements

November—Curtis Fleming
December—Ron Wilson
January—Vince Urbina

Praise:

On Bended Knee (VS 2)
 Hallelujah Praise Jehovah #3
 Great Are You Lord
 Awesome God #38
 Here I Am To Worship
 Glorify Thy Name #77
 Wonderful Merciful Savior
 Low In the Grave He Lay #344

Lord’s Supper: - Mark Brassette

One Day #353 Chorus
 All Hail King Jesus

Offering: - Scott Hendricks

Jesus, Name Above All Names 221

A Wonderful Savior #508

Sermon:

"Elections, Hand wringing and the Kingdoms of men"
Doug Clayton

He Touched Me #527

Shepherd’s Prayer and Closing Blessing: - Jerry Austin

For the Record
Oct. 28, 2012

Attendance 233
Average Attendance, 3rd qtr. 256

Contributions \$4,579.00
Budget \$6,715.30

Communion Preparation—November

Robert & Beth Allen

Special Prayer Requests

TYLER MORGAN.....(Kyle’s older brother, Gordon and Lori Weavers son)...Continue to pray for Tyler’s complete recovery and the use of his arm. Also for a safe delivery for their baby new due this week. A picture of them is on the board, taken and sent by the hospital when they had a small ceremony to award him the Purple Heart, if you want to see who you are praying for.

DOROTHY BALL....not feeling well, will know more after a visit to the Dr on Wed. Pray for her comfort and strength, she is very weak. Has been taking some medication for another health issue that has made her blood sugar go very high..pray what they are doing for it will bring it back down to a safe level.

ARLENE ROWLES.... Asked for prayers for her vision, she sees her Dr on Wed . She has macular degeneration.

GARY WALLACE...friend of Jan Nelson, has cancer and only a few months to live, but they are trying a new drug. Pray it will work and for healing for him.

VIRGIL AND DOROTHY SCHNEIDER (Iris Marutsky’s parents.) Pray for his recovery from surgery, for comfort and strength for both of them. Pray for their family as they do not live close to be able to take care of hem...which is difficult.

Please continue to pray for the following and their families: Donna DeLancey.. healing ,Edith Wilson...comfort, and her family...Galen & Starr Mumma...health issues, Evelyn Barslundeye problems, Verlyn Matthews....healing, John & Becky ...healing & strength, Heather Young...heart problems .

Pray for our church family, our missionaries, our ministries, and those who are involved in them. Pray for guidance from God in all areas that we may better do His will. Pray for our Military and embassies and all who are serving in harms way. Pray for God’s protection for all.

Pray for those who came to the clothing give away.that they will know that these blessings come from God....and will want to learn more about Him. We are thankful for all who helped make this a blessing to those in need. Pray for the upcoming elections that God’s will may be done in all aspects and in the lives of those involved. Pray there will be no fraud or problems with the elections anywhere.

Travel safety for the SHILOH BRIGGS FAMILY, who will be flying into Dallas from Germany on Wed. and then driving their car back to their home in Brush, Co. He is out of the service. A prayer of thanksgiving that he is out of the service alive and well. Thanksgiving for the travel safety of several who were traveling last week and this week. John, the Heath’s and others.

Living Jesus!

Starting the first Wednesday night in December I will be facilitating a class entitled "*Living Jesus*." The class will meet in the auditorium and run for 12 weeks (give or take a few due to holidays, etc). The class will be based on a new video series by Randy Harris about actually living the Sermon on the Mount. Each class will have a 10-15 minute video followed by you and I entering into the biblical text, discussing, answering questions, and being challenged to think and live what we hear from Jesus. I know, I realize Wednesday nights are hard for many of you with work, kids, darkness, and the cold weather, or maybe you're just not in the habit of hanging out at church for an hour in the middle of the week. I really want you to think about attending this class. Plan now to just do it! Talk to your spouse, friends, and neighbors. I promise, if you bring guests we will make them feel welcome and not put them on the spot. It will be a blessing, a challenge and an encouragement to all. **Living Jesus...the journey begins December 5th. Be here!**

Grace and peace,
Doug

A Cowboy Christmas

Bro. John Akers is requesting anyone interested in participating in the Christmas drama "A COWBOY CHRISTMAS" Acting & non-acting parts are available. Lord willing this play will be presented Dec. 13th,14, & 15th at 7:30 pm at the church!

Thank You!

Thanks God for sending John Cooper from Colorado to Guam for 2 weeks to help us out in our evangelism effort and edification of the body of Christ in Guam.

In the cause of Christ,

Alex B. Coloma

Preacher for Asan Church of Christ
202 South Marine Corp Drive, Guam, USA

HELMET LINERS

Last year we sent a number of helmet liners to our military people overseas...both for them and so they could share with their buddies. We have some to send this year and I want to thank the ladies who made them. Last year some of you asked about patterns. Jeannette Sandburg brought me several copies of the pattern for them, both for knitting and for crocheting. If you are interested in the pattern, please see either Jeannette or myself and we will get you a copy. Thank you!! Lila Briggs

North Ave. Homeless meal

Tomorrow is our turn to serve the homeless meal at the North Ave. Homeless Shelter. Lasagna trays will be distributed in the foyer right after services this morning for those who prepare the meal and servers should be at the shelter tomorrow evening about 5:30 PM. Thank you to all the wonderful people who work to make this meal so delicious and so meaningful to the homeless. It is greatly appreciated



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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

BIBLE CLASS AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Elders Integrated Classes—Auditorium
College/Young Adult—Traders Coffee
Bobby Heath—Practical Christian Living—103
Ron Wilson—202

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7– 8 PM

Bob Heath—Book of Acts—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
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 begins at 10:15 AM

There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. 1 John 4:18 (NIV)

Mesa View Service Schedule, 10 AM Sundays

| Date | Servant Team | Study Text |
|--------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Nov 4 | Bud Treu, Mike Hurd | Mt. 25:14-30 |
| Nov 11 | Bill Tidwell, Wes Yeager | Mt. 25:31-46 |
| Nov 18 | Scott Ferguson, Ron Fant | Mt. 26:6-13 |
| Nov 25 | Bob Heath, Sandy Harris | Mt. 26:17-30 |

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.