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# Real Life News & Notes

## *Patterson Road church of Christ*

*A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers*

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### Harvest Time?

I guess we are just a little past "harvest time". Or maybe we are just really early for "harvest time". Or maybe "harvest time" is now. I am already working on our next mission outreach trip to Guam and Saipan scheduled for January 13-25. I am hoping and praying that this will be a "harvest time" of souls for the Kingdom of God.

I have already communicated with the church on Guam and Saipan. One of the men from Guam responded with a request that I preach on "Worship In Spirit and Truth" from John chapter 4. As I read that chapter verse 35 jumped out at me. "Do you not say, **There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest?** Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, **that they are white for harvest.**"

Jesus was addressing his disciples as they returned from getting food in the city of Sychar in Samaria (John 4:5-8). He had just had a very personal religious conversation with a woman who had come out to get water from the city well where he was. The conversation, as was the well, was deep. Where and how do we really worship God? How does meeting Jesus and true worship change our lives?

"Someday I will share my faith when things are just right and when I have met my personal needs," could be a feeling we all have. Jesus was thirsty but still shared while his disciples went into the city to find food to meet their personal needs. Jesus shared a saving message as they both dealt with their personal need for water. He jumped from well water to living water and she bit. We all have personal needs but meeting them does not meet our deepest needs.

As we relate to others may it be that we are able to make the transition from pursuing and talking about our earthly needs to the pursuit of and conversation about our true Spiritual needs. What do all the things of this life ultimately bring us?... Dissatisfaction? Emptiness? Cravings for more? Broken relationships in the pursuit of more?...and in the end... despair. Look closely at the woman's life and see some of her lack of fulfillment in our own. Material stuff, worldly pleasures, human only relationships do not satisfy. What Jesus brings satisfies... here... and hereafter.

May we join together NOW, as a church, in reaching out with the message of hope and forgiveness... this Spiritual mission is the key to our happiness, **"Already he who reaps is receiving wages and is gathering fruit for life eternal;** so that he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together." (John 4:36). Let us rejoice together NOW as we reach out to others.

The fields are white to harvest! Let's do this. – John Cooper

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**\*Upcoming Harvest Opportunities- Some of our upcoming outreach efforts as shared by me with our elders in a recent letter. To the glory of God, John Cooper**

First, a mission outreach to Guam and Saipan in mid-January.

Second, keeping track of an encouraging our life groups through April.

Third, beginning a men's monthly devotional night. I would like your input and help with this

Fourth, I will continue to work with the jail ministry but it would be great to get some new people to help me.

Fifth, Lord willing I will continue to help our local police department as a chaplain. I am certainly beginning to be more accepted and appreciated there.

Sixth, continue to follow up on the weekly visitors to our services. I can use help in visiting these people or in conducting Bible studies when they desire it. You can help me by encouraging the congregation to help me.

Seventh, the church in Italy seems to want me to come back in the spring or fall of 2016. I have kept in contact with them via email. Jerry Seward will probably visit us the first Sunday in December. Help me make him feel welcome please.

Eighth, the church in Springfield, Vermont wants me to help them with a leadership and apologetic seminar this spring also.

Ninth, the church in Delta may want me to help them with an outreach effort and I am planning on speaking there December 20th. If we can encourage our people to reach out to these local churches by going with me in the van I believe that could help us as well as them. I do hope to get our youth group together with the youth group at Montrose sometime also.

Tenth, the church in Newport, Vermont wants me to do an outreach seminar this spring or fall also.

Eleventh, Don McLaughlin is still planning on being here for as "Men's Retreat" in March. These are some of the things that I have planned for 2016.

**Memory Verse For November—II Cor. 9:15**

**Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!**

## ***Our Gathering Today***

### **Feeding on the Word!**

This morning we will conclude the "Two Touch" miracle of Mark ch. 8. We learned last week that the feeding of the 4000, the disciples forgetting to bring bread in the boat, and Jesus' warning about the leaven of the Pharisees all play a significant role in the context of this miracle. We closed last week with Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah. This morning we will see what happens next and how this ties in with the purpose of the **two touch healing** of the blind man and what it means for us today.

### **Welcome Guests! (Guest WiFi is available)**

Thank you for being here this morning and letting us get to know you! We trust you will be blessed and encouraged by our simple Christ centered gathering as we sing, pray, commune and feast on the word of God. Please fill out the little card that is attached to the gift bread and place it in the collection plate as it comes around. We have a **nursing/cry room** at the back of the auditorium for your convenience, as well as a Kid friendly/age appropriate program during the assembly for **kids from 3 years to 3rd grade** (we dismiss them just before the sermon). *If you would like to know more about us go to [grandjunctionchurch.org](http://grandjunctionchurch.org) and click on the "About" tab and then "What we believe."*

### **Acts of Service...The Face of Jesus**

*This week we want to recognize our **Shepherds** and their **wives**. **Jerry and Brenda Austin, Tony and Nancy Clayton, Bryan and Sheri Crowe, Dave and Glenda Scheuerman, Chuck and Bobbi Tourney, Frank and Stacey Lucero, Rick and Jill Wilkins**. These are good men, humble servants, who have taken on the weighty responsibility of leading and protecting the flock, God's church. Their investment is one of time, prayer, spiritual focus and mental energy for our eternity. We are very thankful for each of these men **(and their wives who sacrifice and serve in so many ways)**. Their patience, presence, guidance, wisdom, prayers and love are a gift to us as they allow God to work in and through them through both good and challenging circumstances. Our Shepherds are tasked with making decisions that effect the whole body. They need our love, support, prayers and cooperative spirits especially in matters that may not be our preference. These men and their wives love Jesus, us, and God's kingdom. Let's follow and support them as they gently lead and imitate them as they imitate Christ. **Join us tonight at 6PM as we spend an evening with the elders as they share what is on their hearts for our church family***

## **Love One Another!"**

### **Evening with the Elders**

There will be an "Evening with the Elders" and a Budget and Finance meeting this evening at 6 PM at the building. The elders are asking that everyone attend.

### **Fall Brunch and Cookie Exchange**

Saturday, November 21 at 10 am in Fellowship Hall  
There is a sign up sheet on the S2S board for the brunch and exchange (optional). Cookie exchange signers, please take an information sheet when you sign up. S2S

### **Honduras Trip News**

If you are considering making the trip to Honduras with us in July this next summer, it is necessary for you to make a deposit towards your fees. This deposit will be \$100.00 and will be due January of 2016. Also make sure that your passport is up to date. *Thank you, Dean*

### **Time Change For Wednesday Evening Bible Classes**

For those of you who attend on Wednesday nights we are considering a 6PM start over the winter months instead of our traditional 7PM start. Most of the feedback is for a 6 pm start but we want to give everyone a chance for input. Please contact Doug asap if you have any concerns..

### **Death Notice**

Donna Garcia of Aurora and daughter of former member Fran Trapp passed away last week. Our sympathies are with the Garcia and Trapp families. If you would like to send a card of condolence the address is: Fran Trapp, 19805 N. 90th Ave, Peoria, AZ 85382.

### **Children's Education Needs**

We are in need of a teacher or teacher coordinator for Wednesday evening for the 2—5 year old group that meets in room 104 to teach one or two weeks at a time or for the winter quarter. See Sharon Riddle if you can help.

### **Quilting Ministry Schedule**

The quilting ministry will not meet again until Tuesday January 12, 2016 due to the holidays.

### **Operation Christmas Child:**

Today is the collection date for the shoeboxes for OCC. Please bring your shoeboxes to the foyer. Thank you to those involved and for your support

### **Ladies' Bunco Night**

Join us for fellowship and fun on Thursday, November 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Invite a friend, bring a finger food to share, and bring a card table if you have one. Bunco is an easy game of dice ... so no experience necessary! Contact person is Lesa Brassette.

### **Scott Harris Visit**

Scott Harris plans to be here the weekend of the 12th. and 13th of December and will be preaching on the 13th..

### **Mountain States Change Cans**

Randy Schow of Mountain States Children's Home will be here on December 1 or 2 to pick up the change cans. If you have a can, fill it up and return it to the church by November 29 at the latest..

### **Delta Schedule**

John Cooper will be preaching at the Thunder Mountain COC in Delta on December 20. He will be taking the van down if there is enough interest in anyone accompanying him. See John for details.

### **TBS Feast Day Approaching**

Everyone is invited to attend the TBS program and Feast Day at 11:30 am, November 19. Pick up a sign up form in the foyer or let Sharon Riddle know by Wednesday November 18 that you will be attending.

### **Malawi Pill Bottle Project Ends**

The pill bottle project is being terminated at the end of the year. They will pass the one million mark by then and directors feel that they have enough to last for a while. Thanks to everyone who helped make that such an overwhelming success, especially Dean Blanck. The Malawi project thanks everyone.

## Special Prayer Requests

Please put the following requests in your daily prayers. Prayer is powerful and these people really appreciate yours.

Pray for the Tom Crist family in the death of Tom's dad. Pray for comfort and peace and for safety in travel for the family members.

Continue to pray for the Treu's daughter who is fighting breast cancer. Pray for comfort, strength and healing for her, and strength and peace for her family,

Pray for Larry Lucero, who had surgery this past week. Pray for comfort for him and for complete healing...and for his family.

Continue to pray for Velma Chambers as she recovers from a recent stroke....and adjusts to a new residence. Pray for comfort and strength for her, as she heals, and for her family.

Continue to pray for healing for Thelma Davis as she recovers from having a stroke recently. Pray for comfort and peace for her and for her family.

Continue prayers for Bobby Schlagel, Lane Coale's friend, for healing from intestinal problems. Pray for his comfort also as he heals.

Continue to pray for Austin Graham who suffers Krohn's disease....pray for healing and comfort.

Continue praying for Greg Tidwell as he prepares to have shoulder and arm surgery Nov 16, at the VA in Los Angeles. Pray it will go well and be successful and for his healing and comfort. Pray for his family strength and peace.

Always keep the following in your prayers.  
Our nation, and leaders and the world leaders.  
For the 2016 election and those running for offices.  
Our military people and their families  
Our Missionaries and their families  
Law enforcement, firemen, first responders and their families  
Our church family at Patterson Road and our leaders  
Christians around the world, especially those facing persecution.  
For God's will to be done in all things

Give God the glory and thanksgiving for all the blessings we receive at His hand. Thank Him for innumerable answered prayers.

Taylor Lamkin—Nephew of Sheri Heath. Had surgery in Dallas to remove a non-cancerous mass from his abdomen last week but many health problems still exist with him that are undiagnosed at this time.

Ron Wilson—His transplanted kidney is not functioning efficiently. He has an appointment in Denver with his doctor on December 8 to try to find out the cause.

## **YOUTH NEWS**

### HUDDLES

**Today, November 15th:** We will have a huddle at the mall. Please get in the church van after worship or if you would like to drive, meet in the food court at **12 noon** with money for food. We will eat together and then have an activity.

**November 29th:** We will have a huddle. Please contact Keri Fleming, [curtiskeri@yahoo.com](mailto:curtiskeri@yahoo.com), if you would like to host one of these huddles.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

**Wednesdays at 7:00 PM** we will meet in room 103 to sign songs with Lane Coale for 20 minutes. This will happen every week in November. There will not be food so please eat before or after. After we sing for 20 minutes we will go up stairs for youth group time.

### NATIONAL GUARD GIVE-AWAY

**Saturday, December 12th** Our group has been asked to return for the 2nd time to the National Guard Give-Away. Our group will lead families through a room full of presents for families in the community.

### PROGRESSIVE DINNER

**Friday, December 18th** please meet at the church building bring a friend, a white elephant gift and a friend.

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God Bless,  
Matt Lee [\(214\)554-1253](tel:(214)554-1253)



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### For the Record

Nov. 8, 2015

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| Attendance    | 279        |
| Contributions | \$6,129.00 |
| Budget        | \$6,098.00 |

### Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in November

Steve Neff  
David Olree  
Brian Peacock  
Dale Pirtle  
Eric Pennal  
Ted Reaves  
Ed Riddle  
Tim Riddle

### Communion Preparation—November

Lena Towles

### Communion Table 11/15

Jerry Austin

### Announcements

Nov.—Ron Wilson  
Dec.—Scott Ferguson

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

Bob Heath—Auditorium  
Ron Wilson—103  
Young Adult (Under 30)—Room 207

### Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7– 8 PM

Doug Clayton—Auditorium  
Singing Class—103

### Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Cradle Roll—Birth to 2—Nursery  
2 & 3 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 & 4 yr. old—104  
Kindergarten 1st & 2nd—205  
3rd thru 5th Grade—208  
All teens meet in—203

### Thursday Morning Bible Classes

Thursday Bible School for Pre-Schoolers—9:30 am—1 pm  
Ladies Bible Class, starts 9:30 am—207

### Life Groups

#### Name & Phone

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| 1. Gabe Wilkins—216-8918—226 Mowry, Contact #216-8919,      | Meets Sundays 5:30 pm   |
| 2. Audric Franklin—216-1292—Contact #216-1292               | Meets Sundays 6:00 pm   |
| 3. Matt Lee—1-214-554-1253—597 Creekside Ct.                | Meets Saturdays 6:00 pm |
| 4. Bryan Crowe—778-7900—660 McCaldon Way                    | Meets Mondays 9:30 am   |
| 5. Bob Howard—819-4395—Meets at home of Della Fiske/Turner, | Meets Sundays 6:00 pm   |
| 6. Ron Wilson—433-4868—Meets in various members homes       | Meets Sundays, 6 :00 pm |
| 7. Roy Karo—549-1989—669 Turnberry Ct.                      | Meets Sundays 6:00 pm   |
| 8. Hunt Zumwalt—210-8960—Fellowship Hall                    | Meets Sundays at 6 pm   |