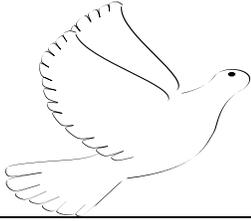


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Real Life News & Notes

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Intentional Encounters

We encounter many people every day. What are our intentions for these encounters? Sometimes we just want to complete some business transaction, like the clerk at the checkout counter or the person at the deli counter. Sometimes we want information, sometimes we want to give information.

As Christians I think we should want a bit more out of our encounters. Maybe we should be looking to spread a little cheer, show a little kindness, be of encouragement to everyone we meet. Maybe down the road we will run in to the same person and have a chance to build upon that first encounter. Or maybe we will never see that person again but we can know that we had a positive impact that could possibly change the rest of their lives.

I believe God wants us to witness for Him in any way we can in every encounter we have. The apostle Paul was once before King Agrippa and Festus. He was telling them about his conversion to Jesus. "Then Agrippa said to Paul, 'Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?' Paul replied, 'Short time or long-I pray God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains'" (Acts 26:28,29).

Paul wrote to the Christians at Colossae, "Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone" (Col. 4:5,6). Let's have intentions when we talk with others. Intentions to influence them for Jesus.

Intentionally yours,
John Cooper

Youth Section

Stay Tuned until next week—Brian Peacock is out of town.

Memory Verse For November: - Romans 8:31
If God is for us, who can be against us?

Order of Worship

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

Songs & Scripture to be announced

Communion

Offering

Sermon—Philippians: “The Practice of Joy” - Doug Clayton

Invitation

Shepherd’s Blessing—

**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**

**For the Record
Nov 18, 2012**

Attendance	257
Average Attendance, 3rd qtr.	256

Contributions	\$5,315.00
Budget	\$6,715.30

Communion Preparation—November

Robert & Beth Allen

Special Prayer Requests

KATHY DEISTER...she goes to Denver for a check up on the procedures she had a few months ago for aneurysms. Pray that it will go well and that everything will be okay, and for travel safety. Pray for God’s peace for her and her family during this current procedure.

TYLER MORGAN....continue to pray for Tyler and his family. Their baby was born Nov 6, a boy, Jaxon, he and his mom are doing fine. Tyler is waiting for the next surgery which will be a bone graft. (bone taken from his hip) Pray for the success of the graft and for comfort and peace for him and his family. They are grateful for all the prayers and want to thank you all for them.

PHIL TRUSHEIM..... He is now at the VA hospital. Continue to pray for his recovery from the amputation of his leg. Pray for comfort and God’s peace....and a quick recovery.

AUSTIN TUCKER....The Coale’s 19 yr old nephew, has been released from the hospital and is slowly improving each day. They will see if the 3 broken vertebrae will heal on their own, if not they will need to fuse them at some time in the near future...but they think he will have complete recovery from all his other injuries. Praise God for his recovery and continue to pray for a complete one. The family wish to thank you for all the prayers for him, which they know is why he has recovered like he has. God is good and answers prayers!!!!

Update on JOE AND MICHELLE AND BABY. The baby was born and though early, seems to be doing fine in NICU. Michelle will have more chemo in December and then the second mastectomy in January. Continue to pray that her cancer will be cured so she will be there to be a wife and mother and for the baby to continue to be healthy.

CALEB...12 year old nephew of Jan Nelson, was taken to St Mary’s with breathing problems. He has a breathing tube, which they are going to remove Monday (today) morning to check his throat to see how it is doing...if it seems to be okay, they will leave it out. Pray for his healing of whatever the problem is and for God’s peace and comfort for his family.

STAR & GALEN MUMMA.... She had her abdominal surgery in Salida and is waiting to be able to drive home to New Mexico where they will prepare for his upcoming surgery in Phoenix. Pray for healing and safety in travel.,and God’s peace and comfort for them.

KAY WILSON AND FAMILY—Kay’s Dad, Sam Baxter, passed away in Tipton, OK. The Wilsons have traveled to OK for the funeral on Wednesday. Keep them in your prayers for comfort and for a safe trip to and from OK.

Jan Nelson’s friends JOHN AND BECKY....Pray that the contract on her sisters house will go through okay, and that they will be able to afford the medications for John, since he is no longer on Hospice.

Continue to pray for these and their families: Edith Wilson, Verlyn Matthews, Heather Young, Donna Delancey, Gary Wallace, and Dorothy Ball. Also do not cease praying for our nation, our military and others serving in harms way, the missionaries who also are often in harms way, the persecuted church in many places, our own church family and our leaders. Thank God for giving us so many godly men to lead, teach and guide us.

Pray for the Lord to forgive us and protect us from the evil one with His mighty hand. “May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer.” (Psalms 19:14) It’s Thanksgiving time, let us all give Him thanksgiving and praise for all the blessings we have to be thankful for and all the answered prayers.May we be truly grateful to God and thank Him for his mercies, (new every morning!) with a heart for Him and His will in our lives...trusting totally in Him for everything...and listening for His guidance in all aspects of our lives. “for in Him we live and move and have our being,”.... (words of Paul in Acts 17:28)

Refreshments

If anyone is interested in helping Pam Hurd with refreshments during the play on December 13, 14 & 15, please contact her.

Children's Christmas Ministry

Sunday, December 2, from 2:30 to 4 p.m., 2nd through 8th graders are invited to help make candy "krackers" in the fellowship hall. Children should bring scissors and glue sticks if they can! Parents may feel free to bring younger children and stay to help them and high schoolers and adults will enjoy this special ministry as well! Church family, we need bags of small, individually wrapped candies (that will fit inside paper towel tubes). We also need empty paper towel or bathroom tissue cardboard tubes. A collection box will be in the foyer beginning Wed, Nov 14. If you'd like to provide refreshments for the kids or a few other needed supplies, please see Lesa Brassette

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!**

Women's Bible Study Opportunity

The study "God's Women" will begin December 5 at 7 PM in room 103. Most lessons will be self-contained and will focus on one woman as recorded in Scripture and what can be learned from her life. If you plan to attend this class, please read the following Scriptures to prepare for our study of Eve, the first wife and mother.

Genesis 1:27,28; 2:18; 2:20-25; 4:1; II Corinthians 11:3; I Timothy 2:13

"For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."
Romans 15:4

Mission Work We Support

Jovenes en Camino = Children on the way

Many of the children at Jovenes en Camino Are orphans. Others have been rescued from situations of extreme abuse. Still others have been forced into the streets by parents who are unable or unwilling to provide for them. The vast majority of street children are boys.

Physically Corinthians 6:19

The bodies of children at Jovenes en Camino are well nourished by a healthy and varied diet. Medical care is readily available and provided by the Neil Coward Clinic in Tegucigalpa. They also maintain a very active lifestyle.

Spiritually Matthew 5:4

The creators of Jovenes en Camino realize the importance of ministering to the complete person. In addition to caring for the physical well being of the children, Jovenes is designed to minister to their mental, emotional, and spiritual needs.

The boys are currently enrolled in public school system. Smaller children attend pre-school and the smallest ones have class and organized play time with the house parents. Interns often teach English classes and there are plans to bring in a long-term volunteer to develop a more comprehensive English curriculum.

The most important emotional support is provided by the staff that is there every day. They foster a caring and environment in which the boys can grow and mature. The house parents are there twenty-four hours a day and it is up to them to discern and dispense optimal doses of discipline, affection and love.

*Jovenes en Camino is developing a new web page where information will be posted.
Thanks for your support*

Over 60's Dinner

The annual Over 60's Dinner is planned for Saturday, December 8. This is always such a special time enjoyed by all who attend. Further details will be available at a later date but mark this on your calendar or see Rick Wilkins.

Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower for Erika Jones on Sunday December 9 at 2 PM. See Johnna Connell for further details.



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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

Tom Deister—Various Topics—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 25	Bob Heath, Sandy Harris	Mt. 26:17-30
Dec 2	Hunt Zumwalt, Steve Bagga	Mt. 26:36-46
Dec 9	Bobby Heath, Youth	Mt. 26:69-75
Dec 16	Jerry Austin, Ron Fant	Mt. 27:32-66
Dec 23	Dean Blanck, Chuck Tourney	Mt. 28:1-15
Dec 30	Bud Treu, Mike Hurd	Mt. 28:16-20

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.