

Real Life News & Notes

Patterson Road church of Christ

A Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus followers

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Hello Grand Junction Church,

My family and I are very excited and stressed as we are getting ready to move to Grand Junction and to find a new home. We will spend December with our families and spend some time enjoying Christmas in San Antonio and College Station. So, we will get to enjoy temperatures between 30 and 80 degrees while it is probably 20 in Colorado.

We have been praying about our move and about our work with the youth group. We are anxious to get to know everyone and learn more about how we can help in Grand Junction. **Alaina**, our second child, has received a blanket from the GJ Church, but Kathleen, Mitchell and I have been looking at jackets so we don't freeze our first year in Colorado.

We really appreciate what the youth search committee has done for us. I know they would have allowed us to start in October but we truly appreciate their willingness to continue to minister to the students at GJ so that our family has the time to transition out of North Pointe, have a baby, sell our house, and spend some time with our families in Texas before we move to Colorado.

Kathleen and I have truly been tested for the last couple months with plenty of big decisions. We "know" that God has plans for us in Grand Junction but it's very hard to see those things right now. We try to "Commit to the Lord whatever we do...Prv.16:3" But, I never knew that God would walk us through so many important decisions in one month. I have learned that if you keep your eyes upon Jesus you will remain standing on the water. We have felt so much love from our church in Texas I don't think we have cooked a meal in 2 weeks.

I can't wait to spend some time with the youth group so I can get to know more about them and learn about their gifts and talents. I want to test God and Isa. 40 "Even youths grow tired and weary" as they unpack my moving truck.

Thanks for you prayers and I know that God has blessed our family and can't wait to meet everyone and get started. Please continue to pray for us... pray for our move, pray for North Pointe, and pray for the GJ youth group.

Jas. 1:2 & 3

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance."

See you in January!

God Bless, Matt Lee Z (214) 554-1253 www.northpointecofc.org

Memory Verse For November—I Thess. 5:18

"give thanks in all circumstances"

Our Gathering Today

Sermon

As this week of Thanksgiving has reminded us, **gratitude** is a natural expression of the personality of those saved by **grace** and made new by the power of the resurrection of Jesus. This morning we will listen to Jesus in **Luke 17** and discover some challenges regarding **Gratitude**. Hope you brought your Bible!

Guest Preacher: Next Sunday the Honorable **Tom Deister** will preach in my absence. Its been a while since we've heard Tom. You all will be blessed by his message!

Guests

Welcome! If you traveled from afar we are thankful for your safe travels and trust you had a wonderful time with family this past week. We pray you will find this a warm and welcoming gathering that reflects the love of God. We invite you to participate and share with us in the communion as the Lord's Supper emblems are passed.

Acts of Service...Thank you!

Quilting Ladies: Their wonderful, warm quilts continue to bless many during recent difficult times.

Cooks: Thanks to all those who made and brought food for Phyllis Haight's memorial this past Tuesday. Please find your dishes in the kitchen.

Trisha Yeager: For her servant heart and calm, superhero like :-) ability to adapt, improvise, and otherwise "giterdun on the fly" pulling things together in the sound room at the last second during the memorial service this past Tuesday evening.

"Love One Another!"

Elders/Deacons Budget Meeting

The meeting to finalize the budget will be Monday December 8 at 6:30 PM in Room 202. If you have not turned in your budget worksheet, please do so ASAP. We request that all deacons and elders attend.—Thank you, David Downey

Final Lesson on Salvation

Sunday November 30 - How to talk to others about Salvation. A couple of teaching aids will be shown.

Vince Urbina begins an adult class in December on Romans and Bill Wade will be starting an adult class in the auditorium entitled "Making A Worthy Christian Walk".

Women of Faith 2015 Conference

The deadline to purchase discounted tickets to Women of Faith 2015 is today. Tickets will be available after that, but, you will not be able to get \$30 off or be able to sit with ourgroup. Please see me to purchase your ticket or ask any questions.—Sherri Bradley

Empty Nesters Christmas Party

The Empty Nesters Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 13 at 6 PM in the fellowship hall. A reply to attend is a must! Reply to Paula Dixon or Wilma Seela.

SIGN UP FOR OVER 60'S DINNER IN FOYER OR FELLOW-SHIP HALL

Homeless Shelter Meal

We will provide and serve the evening meal at the homeless shelter on North Ave. tomorrow (December 1). Lasagna trays will be distributed in the foyer right after assembly today and servers should be at the shelter by 5 PM tomorrow.

Supporting Tiny Soldiers

Sherry Williams is member of an organization called Supporting Tiny Soldiers. They are Non-Profit volunteer organization dedicated to providing holiday assistance to verified veterans, current and retired services members, and survivor families through collecting and distributing donations. They are having their annual Santa Shop in Grand Junction, CO on December 13, 2014. In order for this to happen they rely on generous donations of toys, time and money. Their is a toy drop box in the foyer for anyone able to leave a donation. Thank you in advance for your support.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MINISTRY

We are looking to re-start the greeting ministry here at Patterson Road beginning in January. This involves welcoming members and visitors to our assembly on Sunday mornings, directing them to classes, etc. We are asking you to sign up for a month at a time. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. Please consider being part of this important ministry.

Honduras

Those wanting to go to Honduras on the next trip—Start thinking about saving up. See Dean Blanck if you have questions.

Special Prayer Requests

Pray for those who have lost loved ones recently....the Ramon Salazar family, the Haight family, the Alire family and Jessie, who lost her 4yr old son and her husband. Pray for comfort for these families. Pray for God to comfort and give peace to these families and they will be able to be comforted in their loss.

Pray for Bruce Olree, who will be having surgery soon. Pray it will go well and the outcome be a good one.

Pray for the many Christians that are being persecuted, whether by their own families or by the radical islamists. The atrocities that they are enduring at this time are unimaginable for us but every day events for them. Pray for strength and protection for them and strong faith to endure. Pray for the hearts of those perpetrating these acts to be changed. Pray for the humanitarian groups over there helping them in refugee camps, who are also being killed. Pray for those that are being sold into slavery (usually sexual) and those who have had to leave their homes and seek refuge in the camps. Pray for those who have seen their loved ones killed, sold or tortured.

Continue to pray for those we have been praying for who have on going issues, such as cancer, MS, injuries and surgery...or other health or age related issues.

Continue to pray for the missionaries and their families, also for their work. Pray for wisdom, protection and strength for them as they bring God's word to hose who need to hear it.

Continue to pray for our nations and the current leaders, as well as the newly elected ones as they begin to serve in Jan. Pray for godly wisdom for them that they may lead wisely and bring our nation back to God.

Continue to pray for our military people and their families. Thank God for answered prayers for many we know that have returned to us safely and pray for those who are still serving in harms way.

The holiday season is beginning, pray for safety in travel for all those who will be on the roads in the next few weeks. Give them safe travel to and from their destinations and give thanks to God for His protection for them. Among the travelers is Scott Harris who is scheduled to leave for Africa on thanksgiving, may his travels be safe and uncomplicated.

Prayers of Thanksgiving to God for past answered prayers for many. Praise to His name for His love and care. (For instance the safe arrival of the Tidwells great grandchildren, the twins!!)

Youth News

This evening the youth are meeting at Spin City for a time of fellowship. Please see the youth bulletin board for a sign-up sheet. There are also a sign-up sheets to volunteer on December 13th with Support Tiny Soldiers and to let us know if you will be coming to the Progressive Dinner on December 19th



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For the Record

Nov. 23,2014

Attendance 321
Average Attendance, 3rd qtr. 243
Contributions \$6,592.77
Budget \$6,726.00

Communion Preparation—November

Manon Jacob

Communion Table 11/30 Wes Yeager

Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in November

Leonard Harvey
Kit Hatfield
Bob Heath
Bobby Heath
Bo Hill
Robert Howard
Mike Hughes
Mike Hurd

Announcements

Scott Ferguson—November Curtis Fleming—December Ron Wilson—January

Sunday Morning Worship begins at 10:15 AM

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

Wednesday Evening Adult Classes—7-8 PM

John Cooper————Auditorium

Wednesday Evening Children's Bible Study

Sunday Morning Children's Classes

Nursery
104
205
209
203

2 & 4 yr. old————————————————————————————————————	
All teens meet in——	-203

Sunday Morning Worship at Mesa View Retirement Center Starts At 10 A.M.

Nov 30	Bill Barslund, Scott DeLancey	Luke 16:1-10
Dec 7	Bill Tidwell, David Olree	Luke 18:1-8
Dec 14	Jerry Austin, Leonard Silence	Luke 18: 9-14
Dec 21	John Cooper, Dave Scheuerman	Luke 19:11-27
Dec 28	Chuck Tourney, Hunt Zumwalt	Acts 1:1-11

Romans 8: 31, 32—NIV

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?