



# Real Life News & Notes

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**New Quarter/New Classes**

A man went to a psychiatrist with a serious problem. "Every time I see a quarter or a nickel or dime I feel a panic attack coming on. What's wrong with me Doc?" the man asked. "Oh that's an easy one," the Doctor replied, "You are afraid of change." Well it is time for change for our adult Bible classes. It is a new quarter for our educational program and it's a good time to change and begin attending if you haven't been. Don't be afraid!

On Sunday mornings at 9 a.m., Lord willing I will begin a new class in the auditorium entitled, "Basking in the Sonlight- Getting and Keeping Victorious Faith." Have you ever fretted and worried about things until you were all uptight and stressed out? Finances, marriage issues, job issues, child rearing, aging getting to you? See how faith in God can help. Also on Sunday mornings Bobby Heath continues his class on "Practical Christian Living" in room 103-another relevant and practical class sharing ways to grow more spiritual and stable. Both classes are great choices for improving your life.

On Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Doug begins a video discussion class featuring Randy Harris and a look at "the sermon on the mount" entitled "Living Jesus". Also, Shirlene Caraway will be leading a class for the women entitled "God's Women" in room 103. Two great opportunities to grow and change into more of what God wants us to be like. Don't be afraid of positive change, it is how we grow.

Changing for Jesus, John Cooper

**Youth Section**

Rachel and I have a lot in common, but of course there are some major differences. That's how it is with any couple. For example, I love to travel. Like the actual act of traveling - being on the plane, driving on the highway, all that stuff. Rachel would rather find a good place and stay there. What Rachel is good at, I think, is *contentment*. The idea that we have *enough*, and we don't need more than what we have. My restlessness has always been tied up with my inability to be content in one spot. I'm the ultimate "grass is greener on the other side" sort of person.

Christians need to practice the habit of being content in all things. When the apostle Paul says he can do all things "through Christ, who gives me strength," he's talking about his ability to be content in every situation. That statement comes in Philippians, which is all about finding joy in God. That's no coincidence - the next step after contentment is joy. How can we find joy in our lives, here and now?

Brian

**Huddle tonight:** Join us at the Jennings' house at 6pm tonight for food, fellowship, and a devo. The Jennings live at 7368 Reeder Mesa Road in Whitewater.

**Wednesday night:** Don't forget to join us on Wednesdays in the high school room at 7pm for singing and a bible study.

**Memory Verse For December— Heb. 13:6**

**"The Lord is my helper: I will not be afraid."**

# Order of Worship

**Children's Verse—John Cooper**  
**Announcements—Ron Wilson**  
**Song Leader—David Cooper**

**Songs & Scripture to be announced**

Communion

Offering

**Sermon: "Evangelism & Edification" - John Cooper**

Invitation

**Shepherd's Blessing—Bryan Crowe**

**Honored to Serve the Lord's Table in December**

Hunt Zumwalt  
 Robert Allen  
 Karl Antwine  
 Jeremy Antwine  
 Jerry Austin  
 Phillip Bagga  
 Larry Ball  
 Doug Barnett

**Announcements**

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

**For the Record**

	Nov 25, 2012
Attendance	240
Average Attendance, 3rd qtr.	256
Contributions	\$6,432.27
Budget	\$6,715.30

**Communion Preparation—December**

Leonard & Lynne Harvey

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Over 60's Dinner Cancelled**

It was reported in last week's bulletin that the Over 60's Dinner would occur on December 8. That event has been cancelled for this year.

**Empty Nesters Event**

The Empty Nesters will have a Christmas Dinner Saturday, December 8 beginning at 6 PM at Ed & Wilma Seela's home. Please RSVP - 985-4726.

**Dietary Needs For KJ Fields**

KJ, our deaf friend in the wheelchair has dietary needs that are best met by the protein drink Ensure. Doug is trying to gather as much as he can to help KJ get by for awhile. The best deal is by the case at Sam's Club. If you are willing to help please purchase vanilla flavored Ensure and put them in Doug's office or outside his door. Thank you.

**Homeless Shelter Meal**

Tomorrow evening is our turn to prepare and serve the evening meal at the homeless shelter on North Avenue. Lasagna trays will be distributed in the foyer right after morning service today and servers should be at the shelter by 5:30 PM tomorrow evening (December 3).

**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**

Today from 2:30 to 4 p.m., 2nd through 8th graders are invited to help make candy "krackers" in the fellowship hall to be presented to the homeless at the meal at the shelter on North Ave tomorrow evening. 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! See Lesa Brassette for further information

**Women of Faith Conference—2013**

All ladies interested in attending the Women of Faith Conference September 5 & 6, 2013 in Denver are encouraged to attend an informational meeting next Sunday, December 2 after services in Room 103. Please check out the website [www.womenoffaith.com](http://www.womenoffaith.com) or contact Sherry Bradley with any questions.

**Baby Shower Postponed**

The baby shower, recently scheduled for December 9, has been postponed and will be re-scheduled mid January. Stay tuned for updates and other information or see Johnna Connell.

**Change Cans**

Randy Schow from Mountain States Children's Home is expected to be here to pick up the change cans on December 18 or 19. If you have not turned in your can, please turn it in to the church office no later than Sunday, December 2.

**TYLER MORGAN**....continue to pray for Tyler and his family. Pray for the success of the bone graft surgery he will have soon.

**PHIL TRUSHEIM**..... He is at the VA hospital. Continue to pray for his recovery from the amputation of his leg. Pray for God to comfort him and give him peace as he adjusts to these circumstances.

**AUSTIN TUCKER**...Continue to pray for him as he recovers slowly from his accident. Pray that his vertebrae will heal naturally and he will not have to have surgery to fuse them. Pray for comfort and strength, and God’s peace for him and his family.

**MELODY HAIGHT**....She is home from the hospital, and thanking everyone for all their prayers. She is recovering and did not have to have surgery on her infected toes. Continue to pray for her to heal completely and have no reoccurrences of the infection.

**MAXINE YEAGER**.... Fell and broke her pelvis . Pray for healing for her and for comfort. Pray for strength and for God’s peace for her and her family. She is in a care center now and out of the hospital. Pray for her comfort and healing, for strength for her and for her family.

**FERN DUBOSE**....Shelda Briggs mother.....will have both knees replaced this week. Pray for a successful surgery and a complete recovery. Also for comfort, strength and peace for her and her family.

Continue to pray for the **WILSON FAMILY** in the loss of Kay’s father last week and for travel safety for them and others traveling to the services in OK. Pray for the healing of their family.

Continue to pray for these and their families: **Edith Wilson, Verlyn Matthews, Heather Young, Donna Delancey, Gary Wallace, and Dorothy Ball, Starr & Galen Mumma, John and Becky, and Caleb.**

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.

**KATHY DEISTER**—Thank God for the good report she received from the Doctors in Denver. Her recent surgery for a brain aneurysm has healed significantly.

**EVELYN BARSLUND**—Recurring eye problems. She went to Denver last week for further examination and treatment.

**Sunday Adult Class**

Sunday, December 2, John Cooper will begin a new adult class in the auditorium. Topics will include **“Basking in the Sunlight and Living Triumphantly in Difficult Times”**. Please plan on attending. The material will be very interesting.

**Living Jesus!**

Starting Wednesday, December 5, Doug Clayton 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

**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. The first woman of study will be of Eve, the first woman, wife and mother.

**Mission Work We Support**  
**Rwanda Mission Team**

**The path. Unknown territory.  
The bend in the road. Unseen destination.  
The journey. Unfolding before you.**

Not every detail of the journey is revealed to us before we take the step. Sometimes you just have to put one foot in front of the other and see where it leads you. Or rather, where He leads you. One thing is certain though, each stride prepares you for the next one.

**“LIVE THE LIFE THAT UNFOLDS BEFORE YOU.”**

A few years ago, the Koonces were given a set of books entitled *The Wilderking Chronicles*. In the trilogy retelling the story of King David, the aging mentor boldly directs the young hero to **“Live the life that unfolds before you.”**

This challenge really inspired the Koonce family and they have taken it as a family creed ever since. The reminder stands that no one can know exactly what the future holds. In faith, this family set out for Africa. At the time of their departure for the unknown continent, they had declared to spend seven years working in Togo. Little did they know that God had bigger plans. An interesting thing is that if God had revealed to them his plan then, they may have balked at the whole idea. The All-Knowing one let them see just enough of the lane to take a few steps. Once the path had been tested and the distance great enough to prevent them from turning back, he revealed a bend in the road. And let them make the choice to take another stride into the unseen.

The start of that journey was 13 years ago. The most recent re-direction was a move across the vast African continent to Rwanda. Ten months down the new boulevard, it is easy to see that the avenue of the past was preparation for the highway of the future. God doesn’t waste any of the steps on the journey.

<From the web page> <http://kooncefamilyp.wordpress.com/>



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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

#### **Philippians 4:6-7**

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (NIV)*

#### Mesa View Service Schedule, 10 AM Sundays

Date	Servant Team	Study Text
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.