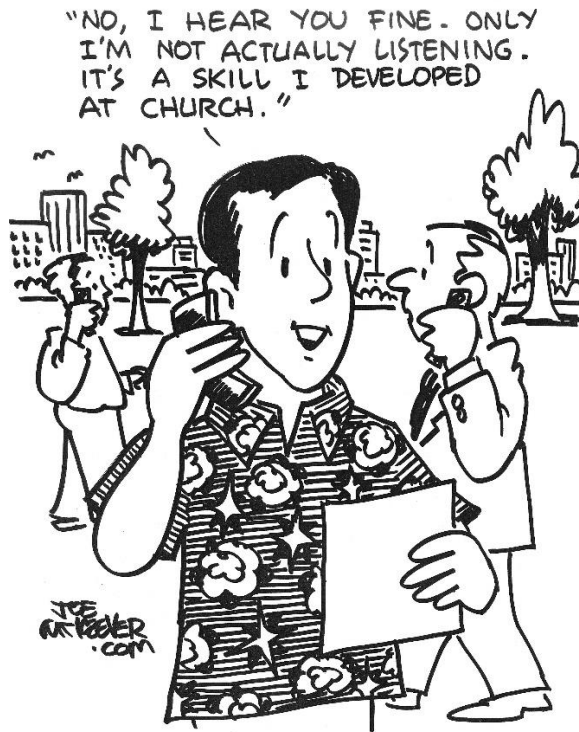

Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

April 9, 2023



Why were Jesus' followers so surprised when things actually happened as he had said they would? The first reports "seemed like nonsense" to them, yet Jesus had told them three times exactly what would happen. 'Selective listening' is a problem for all of us. We can hear and even repeat what we heard, while rejecting what we choose not to accept and even denying that it was ever said.

Thankfully, Jesus loved his followers enough to work with the weak faith they did have, instead of leaving them to live with the consequences of their foolishness. The good news is that he loves us in the same way! His first followers did become better learners, however, and we can too. Listening to his promises will relieve fear and anxiety and make our lives better!

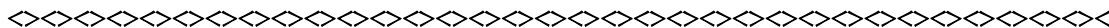
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Today's lesson:

Slow Learners

Luke 24



Easter Egg Hunt!

The fun will begin at about 11:30. Thanks to the Easter Bunnies who helped this happen. You know who you are!

Yosemite Bible Camp 2023

The Porterville session which we have long attended will be **Sunday, June 11 through Saturday, June 17 (rather than early August, as in the past)**

Kids who have completed 4th -12th grades in 2023 may attend as campers. The church covers the cost for all campers and staff, **but the early bird registration, which saves \$15 for each camper is due this week!** If you have kids or know of a kids who would enjoy this, please take all five pages of the flyer, and return the completed Camper Registration and Camper Medical pages to **Bill or Pam by Wednesday evening at 8:00** after class if possible. Let us know if you know of a family we should attempt to contact.

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The ladies group Bible study based on the “Defined” series has concluded, and there will be a pause before the next study. Stay tuned!

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Remember in Prayer:

Amy and Matthew Rivera’s baby was due on April 6, but decided to take her time. Pray for an easy delivery!

Ken’s sister, Beverlee, is dealing with more than one serious health challenge in Ohio.

Ken is suffering from a knee malfunction, and is hoping for an effective treatment soon.

Vickie’s sister-in-law, Gaye, will have surgery April 24 to remove a tumor from her leg.

Johnny Stevenson Sr. has Stage 4 prostate cancer.

Elizabeth Sheley, Mike’s friend, found out her brain cancer is back. She is undergoing chemotherapy.

Cindy’s brother Donnie seems happier and is better than expected in spite of the cancer.

Tammie McDowell (the Bixlers’ friend) continues her battle with cancer.

Keep the family of Betty Seymour in your prayers as they adjust to their loss—especially **C.J. and Zoey**

Pray for Brandy in the loss of her grandmother!

Pray for the health of **Bob Rivera** and **Kirk and Pat Stewart**.

Always Remember:

Those in the military, especially **Joseph Budai, B.J. Wilson, Sheri Huckabay's nephew, Jason Adams, and Patty Johnson's grandson, Andrew Thompson**

The children and staff at **Manuelito Navajo Children's Home**

Families serving in other mission fields

The homeless, and pray for **Blair** as he works to minister to them

Those suffering in Ukraine, and the refugees who have fled

Those suffering losses of loved ones and homes in Turkey and Syria due to the earthquakes.

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Special Address for deliveries to Amy (to avoid theft):

Gifts for their girl baby can be purchased and sent through Babylist.com

Those will be shipped by Babylist. For other items, ship to:

Matthew and Amy (Corfman) Rivera

3702 Prairie Commons St

Williston, North Dakota 58801 **(This is not their apartment address)**

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Schedule of Weekly Services and other meetings

Sunday

AM Bible Class – 9:30am

AM Assembly – 10:30am

Monday

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm*

Tuesday

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting at 6:00pm*

Wednesday

Al-Anon is meeting at noon*

PM Bible Study – 7:00pm

Thursday

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm*

Friday

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting at 7:00pm*

Saturday

Men's AA meeting at 8:00am, and Women's AA meeting at 9:30am*

*Al-Anon and Alcoholics Anonymous are not direct ministries of the church, but their purposes are supported by the church, and they meet in our Fellowship Room.

Minister: Mark Bixler

Elders: Derek Demus & Bill Willingham

What plans might God have for your life?

Jesus personally intervened in the life of Saul on the road to Damascus. Saul had made it his mission to persecute followers of Jesus. A man named Ananias was sent to Saul to tell him that God had very different plans for his life. Ananias said to Saul, "...what are you waiting for?

Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:3-16)

If you might be on the wrong path, it would be our privilege to help you discover God's plans for your life! Ask for a personal Bible study on the Welcome Card, or contact Mark Bixler.

Mark Bixler's office hours by appointment

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Elder of the Month:
Derek Demus

