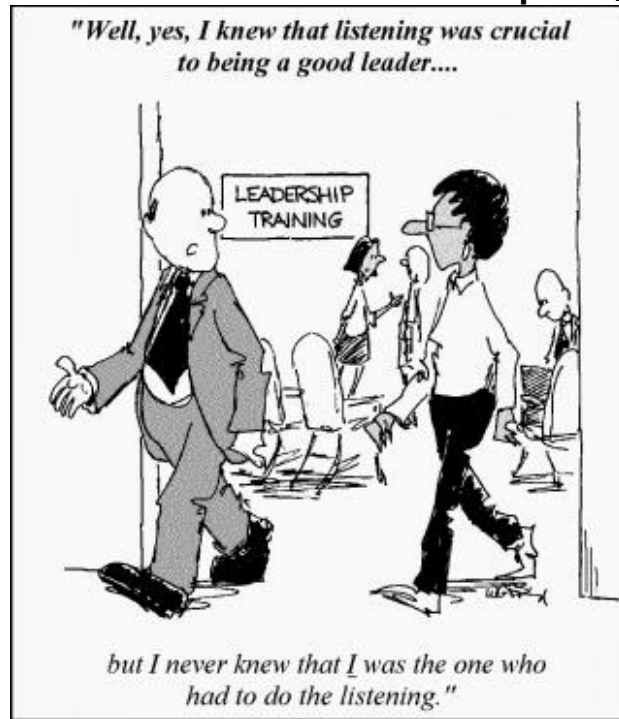

Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

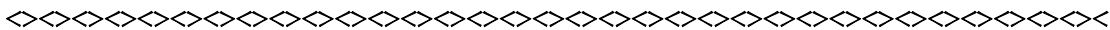
April 16, 2023



In his very practical letter to all followers of Jesus, James (the brother who grew up with Jesus) reminds us of the importance of listening. He says that everyone should be quick to listen and slow to speak (James 1:19). In his very popular book, *Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, Stephen Covey's puts it this way: "Seek first to understand, then to be understood".

As we seek to serve people who need to be saved by Jesus, we might know what that means in the final analysis. But before we speak, we need to listen first to what they think they need to be saved from. If we first do our best to serve their needs as they perceive them, people will be far more inclined to listen when it is time for us to speak about the ultimate need we all share.

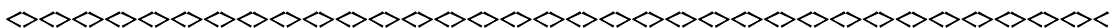
-Mark



Today's lesson:

Get Smarter Faster

Luke 24





Remember in Prayer:

Amy and Matthew Rivera's baby was due on April 6, but decided to take her time. At last report, she was in the early stages of labor. Pray for an easy delivery!

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

Ken did receive an injection in his knee, and it is better, He has an appointment on April 24 with an orthopedic surgeon to identify future treatment options.

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, but has been able to enjoy some travel.

Elizabeth Sheley is undergoing chemotherapy for returning brain cancer.

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.

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Elder of the Month:
Derek Demus