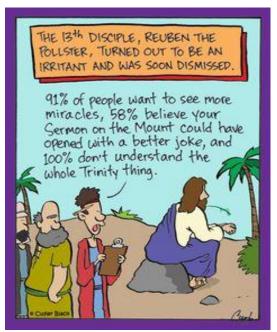
Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

June 1, 2025



We might think that Jesus would have considered dismissing all of his disciples after all of them failed him at the time of his trial and crucifixion. After denying three times that he was a follower of Jesus, Peter seemed to feel unworthy to return to the role that Jesus had chosen him for.

It seems the main problem was Peter's misunderstanding of his assignment to begin with. Jesus "...appointed twelve that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons." (Mark 3:14-15). When Jesus was arrested, Peter had the idea that his job was to fight for Jesus with his sword. That was not his job.

Peter's job was to feed Jesus' sheep. The primary qualification for that was not courage to fight, but love. Peter needed Jesus' help to see that he did have what he needed to do his job. Maybe his love was weak, but it was enough.

We are only sheep, but if we love Jesus even a little, we have enough to feed other sheep who need to feel Jesus' love through us.

-Mark



...BELIEVE IT OR NOT...

Do I What?

John 21



The garden plots are ready for seeds and plants. Community members, church members, and other groups who use our facilities will be invited to work in the garden plots and share in the produce! Details will be shared soon, if not today.

More Support Available!

A support group for those diagnosed with **Alzheimer's and dementia** (<u>not</u> for their caregivers) will begin meeting in our fellowship room on two Mondays each month, starting June 16 & June 30 from noon to 1:00pm. Please pass this information on to anyone you know who might benefit.

Address Change

Joyce Duckworth 8255 Highway 99E, Sp19 Los Molinas, CA 96055

Remember in Prayer:

Joyce Duckworth had a pacemaker procedure scheduled for last Friday, but it was postponed. Keep that in your prayers. Also, she has moved, so note her new address.

Cari's son, **Derek**, had successful open heart surgery, and is now recovering at home.

Blair's dad has an infection and mobility issues, but is improving.

Blair's brother, **Blake**, is dealing again with serious joint issues.

Ruthie had a pacemaker implanted and it seems to be helping. Pray for more energy!

The three-year-old son of Dr. Turnbull at Adventist Hospital here in Tehachapi died suddenly without explanation. Pray for that family!

Cindy's brother, Donnie seems near the end of his life on this earth. At last report, he was finally sleeping peacefully.

Donnie's son, **Jason**, is also in a very painful battle with cancer. Pray for relief!

Cindy's brother-in-law, **Randy**, is now being treated with a different cancer therapy, which is hoped to be very helpful, although not a cure.

Kayla's surgery on the 17th went well, and she is home. Continue to pray for full healing! In addition to his paralysis, **Kirk Stewart** has cancerous sores on his head, and now on his left ear. It has become very painful. They are doing radiation treatments.

Piper Carina Rivera, the Corfman's granddaughter who was born on March 14th has a cephalohematoma under her scalp. It should be harmless and go away on its own, but they will be watching for possible jaundice. So far, so good!

Vicki and Ken's daughter-in-law's mother, Priscilla, had her surgery in Portland, and is doing well, back in their home in Bend, Oregon. She is facing some chemotherapy.

April Wiley asks for prayers for her husband.

April's brother **Jason** has been in ICU, with stroke-like symptoms, but is doing much better.

Minnie's brother **Nathan** is finally home after his triple bypass surgery!

Minnie's brother Mark is finally back at work after his bout with Covid .

Continue prayers for **Maxine King**, mother of **Melissa**. **Galina Gurova**, **a friend of Melissa**, needs healing from lymphoma

Pray for health and healing for **Bob Rivera**.

Bob asks for prayers for his son, **Joseph** who is in Israel working security. **Karen's** friends, **Wolf**, **Jon** and **Wayne**, **Trish**, and **Tommy**, all have cancer.

Always Remember:

- ◆Those in the military, especially Joseph Budai, Gaylen Gibson, Marcos Belizarion, Sheri Huckabay's nephew, Jason Adams, and Patty Johnson's grandson, Andrew Thompson.
- ◆The children and staff at Manuelito Navajo Children's Home
- ◆Those serving in other mission fields, including Blair's friend Sandeep in India
- •Pray for the **homeless**, and pray for **Blair** as he works to minister to them.
- ◆Pray for peace in Ukraine, Russia, Israel and Gaza, and India and Pakistan

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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.

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Elder of the Month:

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