Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

June 23, 2024



"Criticism means I think you have what it takes to do better. It's actually a compliment!"

When an unnamed woman anointed Jesus with a very expensive perfume, some of his own followers criticized her harshly. Why didn't she instead sell it and feed the poor? When Jesus told them to stop criticizing her, he said, "She has done what she could." They, on the other hand, were doing nothing good. Criticism is usually nothing good. Here's an idea: whenever we start to criticize others, let's do something good instead. Who knows how much good we might do!

-Mark

Today's Lesson: Where are we going?

Cowardice, Honor, Betrayal

Mark 14:1-11

Remember in Prayer:

Mike Grimes had a sharp disagreement with his hedge trimmer, resulting in 53 stitches on his hand (the trimmer won). Pray for no infections and complete healing!

Morgan Gibson's dad has been in the hospital with very serious leg problems. He is now in a rehab in hopes of preventing the need for amputation.

Victoria Belizario was involved in a car accident, and is in rehab due to severe injuries to her foot. It will be a long and painful process!

Vicki's sister-in-law, **Gaye** went to be with her Lord on June 7th. Pray for her husband, **Don**, as well as Ken and Vicki and the rest of the family.

Minnie's friend Linda (her son Mike's mother-in-law) passed away recently. Minnie feels that her family is under attack, so keep praying!

Pray for **Ruthie's nephew**, **Will Burgett**. The chemo and radiation he has received after brain surgery have not worked, but they have continued with chemo.

Majid Tafighi, Mina's brother-in-law, has been struggling from the cancer in his lungs.

Continue prayers for **Maxine King**, mother of **Melissa King Stansbery**. She has severe dementia. Prayers are appreciated for her and her caretakers, especially Melissa's sister.

Galina Gurova, a friend of Melissa, has lymphoma.

Bob Rivera asks for prayers for **his son, Joseph** who is in Israel working security as a contractor. Pray for Bob's health as well!

Cheryl's cousin Ronnie Hall, is battling prostate cancer in Texas.

Shirley is having good days, so keep praying for many more!

Pat Stewart has been placed on hospice. Her pain has been increasing, so pray for relief! In addition to his near total paralysis, **Kirk Stewart** has painful sores on his head.

Karen's friends, Jon and Wayne, and colleagues, Trish and Tommy, all have cancer.

Blake Budai, Blair's brother, still lacks mobility. May God work in his body and heart.

Always Remember:

Those in the military, especially Joseph Budai, Sheri Huckabay's nephew, Jason Adams, Patty

Johnson's grandson, Andrew Thompson, and Gaylen Gibson

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.

Those suffering in Ukraine and Russia, Israel and Gaza.

Those suffering almost total chaos and extreme violence in Haiti.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Thanks to Garrett's initiative and hard work, there is ground that is tilled and ready to plant behind the fellowship room. Details will soon be supplied as to how you can be a part of this and share the knowledge with others in the community.

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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*

Women's AA is meeting at 5:30pm*

Bible Study for All – 7:00pm

Thursday

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm*

<u>Friday</u>

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting at 7:00pm*

Saturday

Men's AA meeting at 8:00am, and another 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: *Derek Demus*