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# Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

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July 11, 2021



*"O.K., so the meek shall inherit the earth, and the rich will have a hard time getting into Heaven. But what about the middle class?"*

In a Washington Post study, most Americans estimated the average world income at \$21,000 a year. The real answer? About \$2100 a year. Americans guessed that they were in the top 37% of the comparative world income, when most Americans are actually in the top 10%.

Our Independence Day is a good time to be thankful for our blessings as Americans, but we must also admit that we are in fact, rich. So how hard will it be for us to enter the Kingdom of God? *"...it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God....but for God all things are possible."* (Matthew 19:24&26) Let our gratitude show through in our generosity!

**-Mark**



This week's lesson:

*The Upside Down Kingdom*

## **So, Poor Losers are Winners?**

Matthew 19:13-20:18



### **Remember in Prayer:**

Mark's **Aunt Lois Whitaker** went home to be with her Lord on Thursday morning. Pray for her daughter, **Debbie**, after having lost both parents in the past two years.

**Margaret Collins**, (Lynda's mother) had a heart attack, but is now recovering at home.

**Minnie's daughter-in-law Kayla** has had additional symptoms, and still suffers.

**Gail Bronson** from Porterville had surgery, and was awaiting pathology results report.

**Fernando Sanchez**, a friend of the Willingham's, had a stroke.

**JoAnne Sanders** has opted not to be treated for a brain tumor, and is now with her son.

Ken Ulbrich says that his sister, **Beverlee** who has Alzheimer's, is doing better than he expected.

**Irene Mendoza** is responding to treatments for breast cancer. (Andrew's friend's mother)

Bill's **Aunt Patty** has breast cancer, and has already had one battle with cancer.

**Linda Nunez** is thankful for our prayers and asks that we keep praying.

**April** asks for continued prayers as she works her job in Virginia.

**Norman Atchison** is still requiring oxygen. They ask for continued prayers.

Remember **Pat & Kirk Stewart, Bob Rivera, Bob Hanna, and Donna Ricker..**

**Remember the homeless**, and pray for **Blair** as he works to minister to them.

### **Answered Prayers:**

**Cheryl** grandson **Aiden** is in good spirits and planning to be back in school in the fall. Our family asks for continued prayers.

Cindy's brother-in-law, **Randy**, is now "doing fantastic".

Her brother, **Donnie**, is able to eat pureed foods (rather than all tube feeding)!

### **Always remember:**

Healthcare workers, first responders, those in law enforcement and the military (especially Joseph Budai, who is now deployed)

The children and staff at Manuelito Navajo Children's Home and families serving in the mission field.



## **Church contributions and Manuelito gifts**

You can mail checks to: Tehachapi Church of Christ, 1121 W Valley Blvd., Suite I Box 313, Tehachapi, CA 93561, or deliver them by hand at the UPS office without postage.



## **Yosemite Bible Camp is on!**

July 11 is the final deadline for camp registration, so please let Kyle know if you need an application as a camper or staff member. July 25-31 are the dates to hold. Kids who have finished grades 4-12 this year are eligible as campers, and the church will cover the cost.



## **Teens and young adults Bible Study!**

Come and bring your friends to the teen room at **7:00 on Thursday, this week!**



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### **Schedule of Weekly Services and other meetings**

#### **Sunday**

AM Bible Class – 9:30am (**Temporarily suspended**)

AM Assembly – 10:30am

PM Bible Study – 6:00pm ZOOM (**Meeting online**)

#### **Monday**

Alanon is meeting at 7:00pm\*

#### **Wednesday**

Alanon is meeting at noon\*

PM Bible Study – 4:30 & 7:00pm ZOOM (**Meeting online**)

#### **Thursday**

Alanon is meeting at 7:00pm

#### **Friday**

Women's Bible Study Group meets in the Fellowship Room at 11:30am

Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting at 7:00pm\*

#### **Saturday**

Women's Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at 9:30am\*

\*Alanon 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

Elder of the Month:  
***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*