

Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

September 5, 2021



Since we cannot really understand a fully spiritual existence while we are confined to our physical bodies, we need analogies to help us come to a slightly better understanding of the glory of heaven. If you love to play golf with good buddies, that may actually be a good thing to include in the way you picture heaven, although it should not be the only thing in your picture.

One reason that Jesus let go of his equality with God to become one of us was to help us to understand what it is like to be with God. If the idea of being with Jesus is not appealing to us, then we need to immerse ourselves more deeply into his words, his actions, and his lifestyle. We can come to “*desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far*”, while also desiring to remain in the body for the sake of those here who need us (Philippians 1:22-24).

-Mark

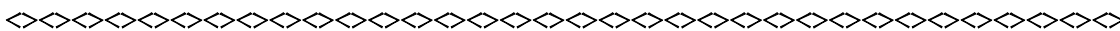


This week's lesson:

The Upside Down Kingdom

What Not to Believe

Matthew 24:1-44



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.

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

New Fellowship Room Meetings

Check the schedule for added scheduling of our fellowship room. Several meetings have been added. Times are listed on the back page.

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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

Al-Anon is meeting at 7:00pm*

Wednesday

Al-Anon is meeting at noon*

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

Thursday

Al-Anon 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 9:00am*

Alcoholics Anonymous* will resume when possible

*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

| Date | 7/11/21 | 7/18/21 | 7/25/21 | 8/1/21 | 8/8/21 | 8/15/21 | 8/22/21 | 8/29/21 |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| AM Assembly | 46 | 35 | 69 | 52 | 35 | 35 | 37 | 40 |
| Contribution | \$1430 | \$1595 | \$1566 | \$2393 | \$1715 | \$1465 | \$1510 | \$1376 |
| Manuelito | \$50 | \$50 | \$200 | \$50 | \$0 | \$12 | \$0 | \$200 |