# Family Matters

#### NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

**September 29, 2024** 



(Notice the UFO outside the window)

Just as Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were aliens in Babylon, we are aliens in this world. If we feel perfectly at home in this world, we have forgotten who we are. That doesn't mean we go out of our way to look weird; it actually means that we will at times be more loving, more giving, more sacrificial, and more humble than our culture feels people should be. Those were the unique qualities of Jesus, and as his followers, they will be ours.

-Mark

Today's Lesson: What are we doing in Babylon?

Slow Learner

Daniel 3

# LADIES!

As of the first week of October, we are continuing our women's study that we started in May, using a video series from Priscilla Shirer entitled, "Armor of God", drawn for Ephesians 6:10-19. We will meet at Vicki's house. Please let Brenda know if you would like to be a part of this, so she can order a book for you if you do not have one already.

More details will come soon as to times and days

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# **Remember in Prayer:**

Melissa King Stansbery has surgery on Tuesday morning.

Morgan Gibson's dad has moved into an assisted living home with nursing.,

Minnie's daughter-in-law, **Kayla**, is finally home! There will be a learning curve to dealing with her condition, so keep them all in prayer.

**Beverly** is clear of pneumonia, but she has been very tired. Pray that she will get her strength back and feel well enough to enjoy visits with her family.

**Arisa Molineaux** asked for prayers for healing in the mind and body of her mother, **Carole Samuel.** They were both with us a few weeks ago.

**Vicki and Ken's daughter-in-law's mother, Priscilla,** is being treated for pancreatic cancer. Pray for successful surgery, treatment, and comfort for the family.

**Ruthie's nephew, Will Burgett,** has been placed on hospice since the chemo and radiation following his brain surgery have not been effective.

**Victoria Belizario's** injuries are healing, although she is still not walking. Pray for some family issues she is facing as well.

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

Continue prayers for Maxine King, mother of Melissa.

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! He fell recently, and is recovering slowly.

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

Pray for **Shirley**'s health and sense of well-being.

In addition to his near total paralysis, **Kirk Stewart** has painful sores on his head, and they are doing radiation to treat those. Pray for him in the loss of Pat as well.

## **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, Russia, Israel and Gaza.

Those suffering almost total chaos and extreme violence in Haiti.

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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.

# Mark Bixler's office hours by appointment

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Elder of the Month:

Bill Willingham