

Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

October 13, 2024



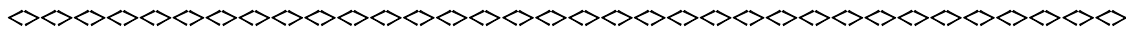
“How you lived your life used to count for something. Nowadays it’s largely based on first impressions.”

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Nebuchadnezzar named his son Belshazzar, which meant, “Bel, protect the king”. Bel was his God. His son was the future king. Of course, Bel was only a god who was created in the image of Babylonians. They expected to be judged on the basis of the values they wanted in their god.

Although they did not know it, the Babylonians were actually created in the image of the same God who created the Israelites—and all other human beings. The one true God judges on the basis of His own character. He is first of all loving, but perfectly righteous—just. Our purpose is to multiply God’s love as we show mercy and kindness toward others. That is our part. Judgment is God’s part. Only God knows when it is time to pass judgment, and only He knows what that judgment must be.

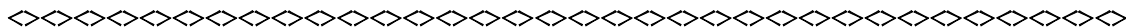
-Mark



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

Lightweight

Daniel 5





Potluck Today!

Please join us as we honor those of our number who have retired from years of work!

HURRICANE RELIEF GIFTS

We will be sending money to the **Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort** this week. If you want to add to that gift, there is a special plate in the back today. This organization has already sent seventeen truckloads, but the needs are massive! Their administrative costs are almost zero, so our gifts will go where the needs are greatest.

Pray for Blair, who has traveled to a small town in Florida to help with the cleanup!

LADIES!

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 are meeting at Vicki's house on Tuesdays at 10:00am. **(NEW TIME)**

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. It's not too late to join in!

Please add **Cari Davis** and **Shawnda Davis** to your directory. The address is 22721 Jerry Drive 93561. Cari's email is Geocari@verizon.net, phone is 559-920-6545, and birth date is 1/15. Shawnda's birth date is 11/19.

Shirley Peters' birthday is October 15. You may send a card to: The Palms 5300 Hageman Road., #312, Bakersfield, CA 93308.

Remember in Prayer:

Shirley somehow broke her femur, but is already back at The Palms.

Mina was looking forward to being back with us last Sunday, but she fell and ended spent the morning st the hospital. She has very limited mobility. Pray for quick healing.

Majid Tafighi, Mina's brother-in-law, passed away in July. Pray for his wife and family.

Melissa King Stansbery had her surgery, and she is at home! She is doing well, but it was quite an ordeal, so keep praying for healing and comfort!

Continue prayers for **Maxine King**, mother of **Melissa**.

Galina Gurova, a friend of **Melissa**, needs healing from lymphoma

Morgan Gibson's dad has been back in the hospital, but has returned to the nursing home.

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.

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 is now walking, although not yet at 100%. Keep praying for healing and for some family issues she is facing..

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, **Eleni, Trish, 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.

Those suffering losses from the hurricane in the Southern and Eastern states.

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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:

Derek Demus