Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

October 25, 2026



Maybe locusts aren't so bad if they're dipped in wild honey (John's other diet staple), but I don't really have any desrie to find out. I'm just glad that Jesus is the model for preachers now, and not John the baptizer. Jesus was criticized for enjoying good food.

We don't know what kind of life John lived before he began preaching, and for that matter, we don't know how many years he preached. We do know the main message of his preaching. He preached that people needed to repent (change their lives) and be baptized for the forgiveness of their sins (Mark 1:4).

That forgiveness seemed to be a one-time offer, rather than the ongoing forgiveness that Jesus promises. So, what was the point? No one can go very long without sinning again. Here's my thought: Maybe that very realization was what paved the way for Jesus. When John preached only repentance and forgiveness of sins, the failures they then experienced after their baptism under John made Jesus' promise of the gift of the Holy Spirit an irresistable offer. We can live like Jesus with God's help!

-Mark

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Ladies Group

God of Covenant, by Jen Wilkins is helping us explore the lives of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob & Joseph, tracing how every story in Scripture points to Christ.
Plan to Join in at 10:00 every Tuesday morning at Vicki's!

Remember in Prayer:

Kayla Booker's surgery is now scheduled for November 5.
Kennedy Booker, Kayla's daughter-in-law, is suffering from the same rare disorder that ravaged Kayla, but she is doing better.
Minnie's sister-in-law, **Maria Procell**, is having back surgery October 26.
Pray for Minnie's brother, **Gene, and wife, Norma**. They are struggling.
Joe asks for prayers for his ex-wife, who is in Arizona, waiting for a liver transplant.
Ken's brother-in-law, **Jim**, passed away last week. Remember Ken and Jim's family—especially his two daughters-- in your prayers. Ken will travel to Ohio this week.
Ken has no more radiation treatments! He has not been suffering any severe side effects, but pray that he will not, and that it is as effective as they expect it to be.
Bill is finally home! He can now have visitors with appointments. Continue to pray that he will recover fully and quickly.
Carol's husband **John** has had kidney and gall bladder infections. Pray that those are cleared up and he will soon be able to start physical therapy for his hip.
Steven, Cindy's son-in-law in Iowa who was badly burned, seems to be healing better than expected, but keep praying for his healing and for his **wife and daughter**!
Werner has a procedure coming soon.
Blair's dad is recovering after heart surgery, and is desiring to go home!.
Pray for **Eva and her boys**! They are now living in Lancaster.
Pray for **Kira**, a close family friend of Eva and Evangeline. She's having difficulties.
Joe's shoulder is healing, but he needs approval for treatment for other issues.
Mark's brother-in-law, **Don's** pain has returned about three months after his surgery.
Mark's brother-in-law, **Paul's** dementia is worsening. Pray for his wife, Sue!.
Pray for the health of **Bob Rivera** and **Beverly Ator.**
Ruthie's friend, **Gillian**, Cindy's family members, **Jason**, **Dustin**, **Randy,** Karen's friends, **Wolf**, **Jon, Wayne**, **Trish, Jessica,** and **Tommy**, and Mark and Brenda's neighbor, **Ken**, and **Jody**, another neighbor, all have cancer. Pray for healing!

Always Remember:

- Those in the military, especially **Joseph Budai, Gaylen Gibson, Sheri Huckabay's** nephew**, Jason Adams, Patty Johnson's** grandson, **Andrew Thompson, and all those involved in the current efforts in Iran.**
- **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.
- Pray for **peace** in Ukraine and Russia, as well as in the Middle East.
- **Pray for the Iranians--especially Mina's brother—and pray for a quick resolution!**

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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.

Elder of the Month:

Bill Willingham

Minister: Mark Bixler
Elders: Derek Demus & Bill Willingham