
Family Matters

NEWS AND REMINDERS FOR THE TEHACHAPI CHURCH OF CHRIST FAMILY

November 3, 2024

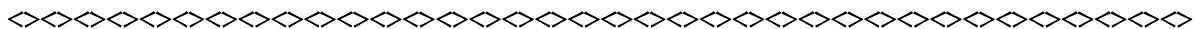


Many of the Israelites seemed to believe that they knew how God viewed those who were not a part of their tribes. They made the mistake of assuming that God blessed the Jews with special attention because God valued them more than He valued non-Jews.

Daniel and his friends were placed in positions of power in an empire that did not know God. Rather than praying for their destruction and using their influence to undermine the empire, they did what the prophet Jeremiah instructed the exiles to do in Babylon; they prayed and worked for the well-being of that government and the people in it.

We need to remind ourselves daily that we are not in a conflict with people, or with our government. Rather, we are in a conflict with spiritual forces that seek to harm us and all others. People with whom we disagree are not our enemies; they are God's children who need our help. That's how God sees all of us.

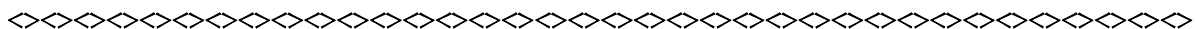
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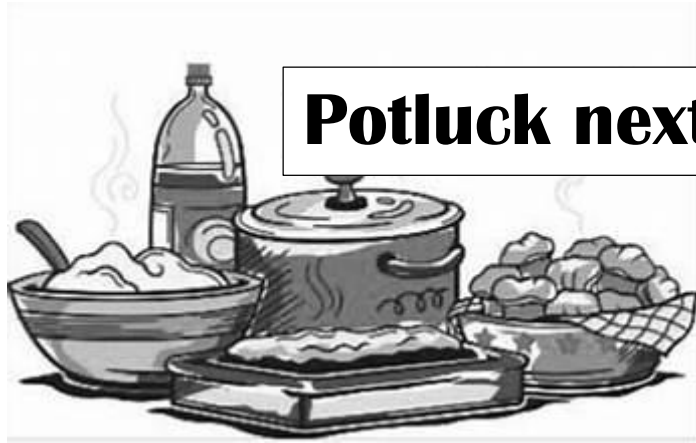


Today's Lesson:
What are we doing in Babylon?

The Third Way

Daniel 8





Potluck next Sunday!

As Thanksgiving approaches, bring your favorite family dishes for a preview meal!

LADIES!

We are continuing our women's study that we started in May, using a book and 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)**

You can join in at any time!

Remember in Prayer:

Victoria Belizario had a very painful emergency surgery to remove a sizeable ovarian cyst. She asks for prayers as she recovers in the hospital in Riverside.

In addition to his near total paralysis, **Kirk Stewart** has painful cancerous sores on his head, and radiation treatments have been ineffective. No further treatments are planned. Pray for him in the loss of Pat as well.

Bob Rivera's hip is healing, so no surgery is planned after all.

Bob asks for prayers for his son, **Joseph** who is in Israel working security as a contractor.

Mina is thankful that she is already doing better, but pray for quick healing.

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

Continue to pray for **Shirley's family**, after her passing and the loss of Brad so recently as well.

Melissa King Stansbery is doing well after her surgery, but keep praying!

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.

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.

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

Always Remember:

Those in the military, especially **Joseph Budai**, and **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.

Pray for our nation during this election season and election day November 5th.

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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.

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Elder of the Month:

Bill Willingham