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SANDIA FELLOWSHIP WEEKLY NEWS

November 6, 2025

Dear Sandia Fellowship Family,

It was a great blessing last Sunday to announce that we have finally **received our building permit** from the city and that we can now finish renovating our Tennessee building. This is the longest I have ever had to wait to receive a building permit and I want to thank everyone for their prayers and patience through this extensive process. We look forward to keeping everyone updated on the progress as we work toward finishing this vital building project.



This Sunday, November 9th will be our **Stewardship Sunday** where we are asking our Sandia Fellowship family to present their Estimate of Giving cards for the upcoming ministry year of 2026. Our 2026 EOG cards have been mailed out and if you haven't received one you can click [here](#) to download a copy of this card. We will also have extra copies available at our Welcome Desk on Sunday morning. These EOG's are important tools that help our church leadership become the best stewards of resources that you provide for ministry. The Estimate

of Giving cards are an opportunity to express our gratitude to God and generosity in supporting Sandia Fellowship in our call to make disciples of Jesus Christ.

If you are **unable to attend** this Sunday, feel free to mail it to Sandia Fellowship, P.O. Box 16702, Albuquerque, NM 87191 or you can take a picture of your EOG card and email it directly to jrech@sandiagmc.org. Our goal is to receive nearly all the Estimate of Giving Cards by **November 17**. Please know that we are not asking for a commitment but an estimate. We thank everyone for your past support that has brought us to where we are today and look forward to everyone's participation in this important event as we prepare to step into God's plans for our future together.

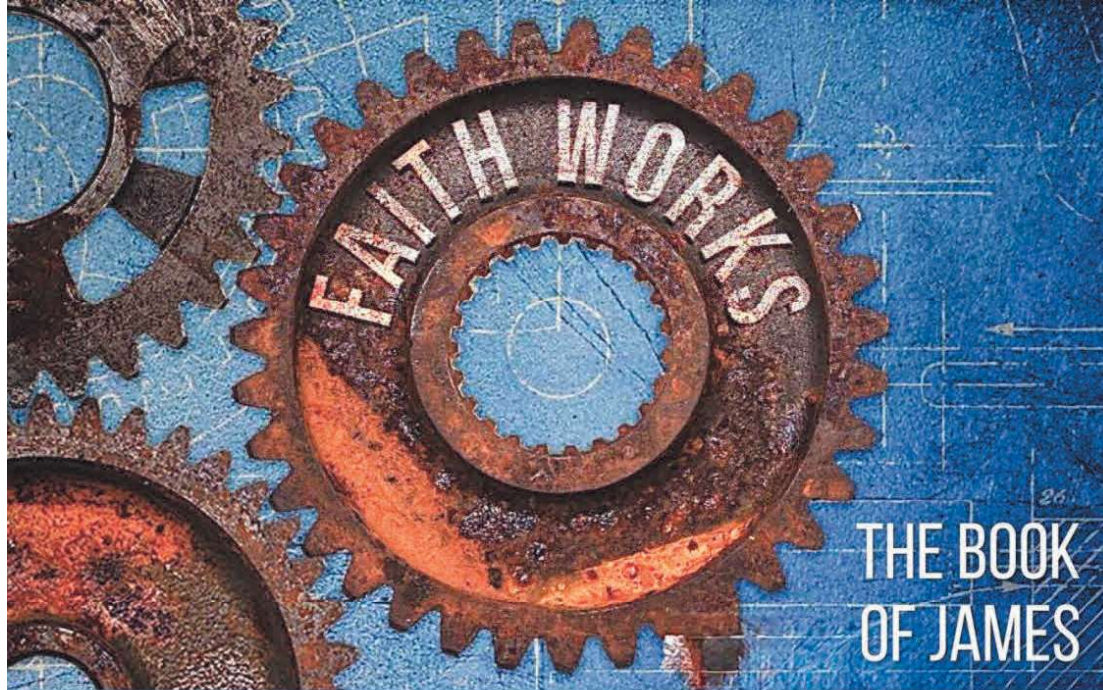
See you Sunday,

Pastor John

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 9



Launching a Living Legacy



MESSAGE FOR THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9
"The Prayer of Faith"
James 5:13-19

This Sunday we are finishing the sermon series *Faith Works* which has been based on the New Testament Book of James. This Sunday we close our series by looking at matters of prayer and faith. I mentioned last Sunday how fitting it is that after having our patience tested and faith stretched during this building permit process, we are now presented with the closing words of James' letter dealing with patience and prayers of faith. In these final passages, James provides some significant insights and encouragement on this important matter of Christian discipleship.



ADVENT READERS NEEDED

Advent is right around the corner and we will need some readers. If you are interested in doing a short Scripture reading, please contact Allan [here](#).



CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Our next Fellowship Luncheon is coming up on Sunday, December 7! It will be held at the Sheraton Uptown at 11:30 AM, after our worship service.

Click [here](#) to RSVP by December 1 and let Holly know how many are planning to attend, as well as which entree selection each person in your family would like.

Choose from one of these options:

- Sliced turkey with mashed potatoes and gravy
- Roast beef with burgundy mushroom sauce
- Vegetarian option

For kids 10 and under: chicken strips, French fries and fruit cup

Cost is \$25 and children are free.



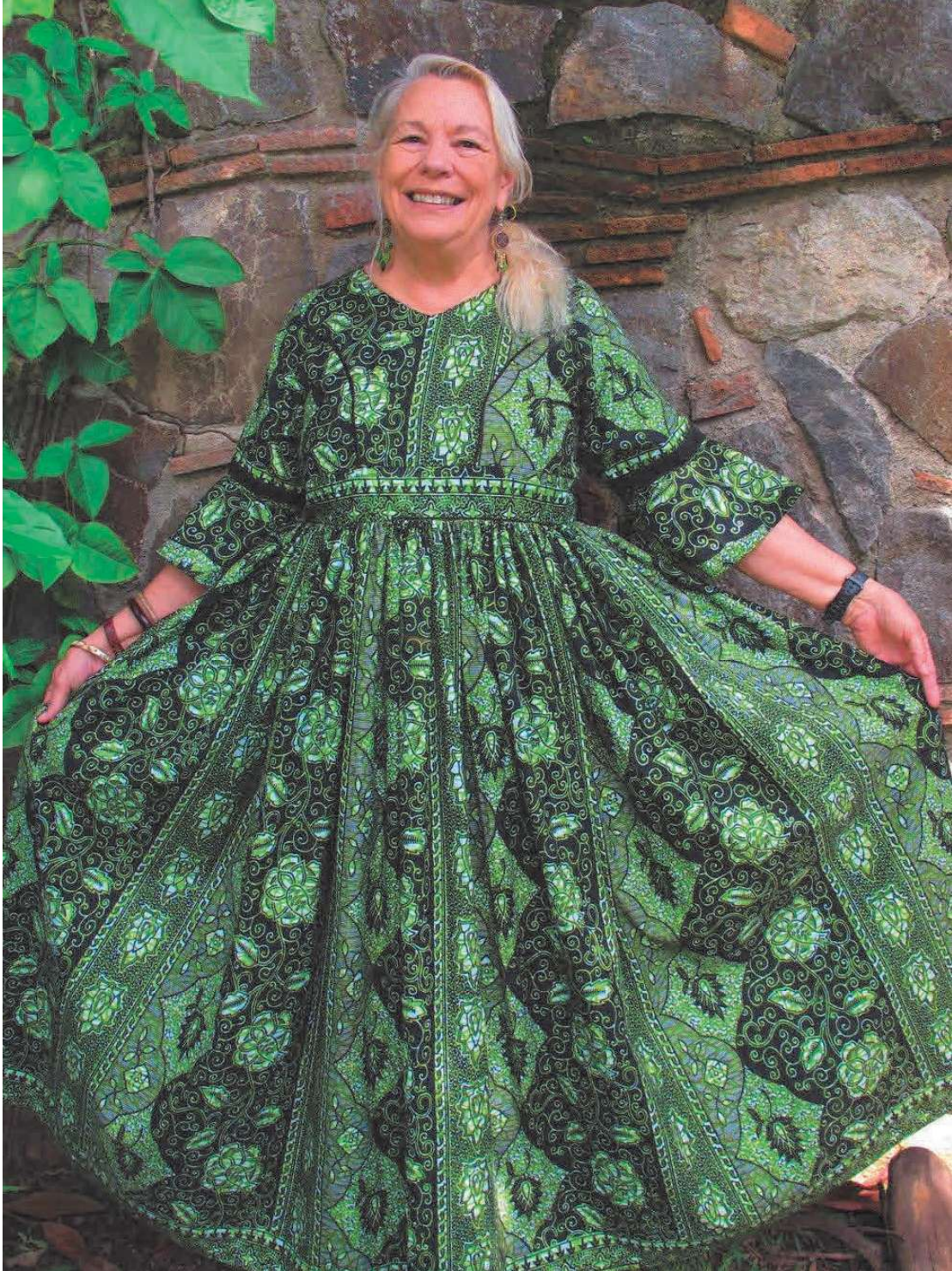
Update from SE Coleman Missionary to Guatemala and Africa

The following is an excerpt from SE Coleman's recent newsletter

Howdy!! Oops, was in Texas three weeks, rodeo and visits! I sit here back in Guatemala to finish 2025 that has held so much. It promises to be eventful right to Dec 31. As you might remember, last newsletter in July, mentioned that I was going to Patagonia. Yes, I did!! Was in Chile and Argentina right down to "Del fin de Mundo." Ushuaia, Argentina became one of my favorite places in the world. It was the tail end of winter. I could talk the entire newsletter about all the places I went, sites I saw and people I met. You know when you go anywhere, ALL of you is present, the memories, the joy and the pain you carry. There were many high moments as I saw history, and dolphins and snow!! God just provided for me in some amazing ways. It was so "affirming." We are NEVER away from Him and He from us. Hallelujah!!

In coming back to Guatemala, there are plans for finishing this year. 25 years ago I started giving away sweaters end of November, start of December. It has been such a blessing over the years. Already, I have talked to Telma, Olga Lorena, even Billy to be involved. We'll start buying warm clothing of all sizes, get them clean and organized to just look early in the mornings to give away. We load up early and see people with no warm clothing and believe me, it does get "cold" here and if you are out early with no extra sweater or coat, you are shivering. We have so many stories over the years of gratitude, thanksgiving. It's hard to forget a little group of children walking together, the oldest being no more than 9, at 6 in the morning, school is out and they were going to buy their daily bread. We outfitted all of them and they were just so overjoyed. Another year we saw a sweet old couple with no sweaters and they cried when we stopped and helped them. We are going to take little Ohana. Of course, she is young, but we want to instill in her that blessing of giving. She is such an imitator!!

In December, there are gift baskets we put together for Christmas and this is a blessing to many families. We always have a few extra to give as God directs us. Two years ago, we were looking for the house of one family and for some reason could not find. We saw two women had been talking, 1 walked away, THIS was the stop God wanted for us. We found out the two women had never received gift baskets at Christmas and we ended up giving to both, driving one across town to her place with the big basket. I bought toys for all the kids in one of those families. Telma and I de-livered, sat on concrete teaching the oldest how to play Uno!



SE Coleman



BUILDING OUR FUTURE - BIG UPDATE!

As mentioned in Pastor John's article in this week's newsletter, we have finally received our building permit from the city and we can now finish renovating our Tennessee building! Lorenzo and his crew are making a lot of progress on the demolition and removal of construction debris. They have filled two construction dumpsters which are the size of a tractor trailer. Once all the debris is cleared, they will start on construction.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Every 1st and 3rd Sunday

Thanks to an enthusiastic response to our call for volunteers to help with our Children's Church, we now have a great team in place for this new ministry. We now offer Children's Church on the **1st and 3rd Sundays** of each month. This program is for children in kindergarten through 6th grade and it takes place during the message portion of the morning service.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Our Men's Breakfast meets this upcoming Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00 AM at Sunnyside Up (6909 Menaul Blvd NE). All are welcome!

Visit our LIFE Groups page to learn more about the various LIFE Groups Sandia Fellowship offers: www.sandiagmc.org/life-groups



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Our monthly Women's Fellowship Breakfast meets this upcoming Tuesday, November 11 at 9:00 AM at Dave's High Desert Grill (5200 Eubank Blvd NE). Reservations are helpful but not required. Please email Linda Hess [here](#).

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

Have you visited our website lately? There's always fresh content being added: [announcements](#) and church news, current [sermons](#) as well as [past sermon series](#), weekly [newsletters](#), and more.

You can also [submit a prayer request](#), learn about our various [Life Groups](#), read about the [missionaries and outreaches](#) we support, set up [online giving](#), learn more about the [mission and vision](#) of Sandia Fellowship as well as the [Global Methodist Church](#), and so much more!

Bookmark our site and check back regularly!

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SEND US YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS!

Sandia Fellowship has a dedicated Prayer Ministry that intercedes weekly for various needs and requests. The Apostle Paul wrote, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6-7)

There is no prayer need "too small" or "too big" for the Lord. If our hearts are burdened by anything, God wants us to bring it to Him in prayer -- and He promises us His peace when we do.

You can submit a prayer request in one of three ways

- Send a request through our [website](#) or click the red button below.
- Email us at prayer@sandiagmc.org.
- Fill out a **Prayer Request** card available at the Welcome Tables on Sunday mornings.

If you'd like to be a part of this Prayer Ministry, please email Holly at hklein@sandiagmc.org.

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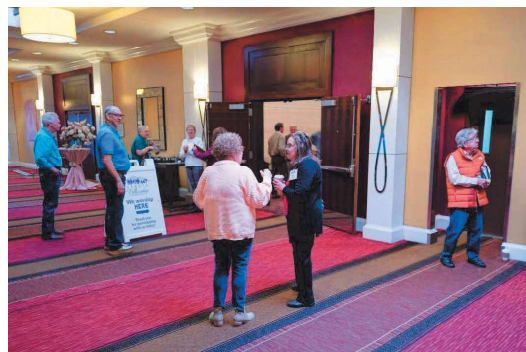
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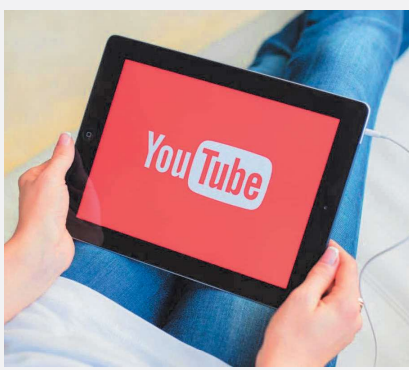


Sundays @ 10 AM

Join us for worship this Sunday!

Childcare is available for ages six months through five years old.





SANDIA FELLOWSHIP YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Did you know you can subscribe to the Sandia Fellowship YouTube channel? All of our weekly sermons are uploaded to our YouTube channel [here](#) as well as on our [website](#).

Search [@sandiafellowship](#) on YouTube (or just click the photo).



This exciting venture in faith would not be possible without God moving upon the hearts of people to give towards this work. Your generosity helps create a church where we can bear witness to the transforming power of the Gospel. The mission of Sandia Fellowship is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly. We strive to humbly serve others as ambassadors of Christ.

Click [HERE](#) to give safely and securely online.

NOTE: Donations can be made to either the **General Budget** or the **Building Fund** by choosing from the dropdown menu. You can also make a donation to our monthly **Communion Offerings** via the dropdown.

Checks can also be mailed to:

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