

Well, it's always good to get the right month for the monthly newsletter. I want to thank all the "eagle eyes" for pointing out my mistake for last month's newsletter.

In Philippians 4:4-7 Paul encourages the church at Philippi to "Celebrate God all day, every day. I mean, revel in him! ⁵Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you're on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see that the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute! ⁶Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. ⁷Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life."

There are several instructions given to the church here by Paul but I want to focus on the instruction given in verse six. "Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns." We should pray as Christ Himself prayed. There are many things our church needs to be known for but the greatest commendation one could give our church is that we are a praying church.

In James 4:2 the bible says "You Have Not Because You Ask Not"! What a true statement. We are never going to experience victory in our lives if we don't take our burdens to the Lord in prayer. R.A. Torrey, a theologian from the past was a prolific writer and one of the topics that he expounded on was the topic of prayer. In his book on "How to Pray", Dr. Torrey gives several reasons why we should pray and how prayer can change our lives. It has been said, "every failure is a prayer failure!"

Here is an excerpt from his book I thought would give us insight into this important doctrine.

"Prayer is God's appointed way for obtaining things, and the great secret of all lack in our experience, in our life and in our work is neglect of prayer." "All the mighty men of God outside the Bible have been men of prayer. They have differed from one another in many things, but in this they have been alike." "Prayer, in every care and anxiety and need of life, with thanksgiving, is the means God has appointed for out obtaining freedom from all anxiety, and the peace of God which passeth all understanding."

Starting this month, Ron Poolaw will be directing our prayer ministry. We are working out the details at this point; we intend to meet on a weekly basis (Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m.) to engage God and obey him by humbling ourselves and laying our petitions before Him. I hope that you will consider joining us in this noble endeavor.

I hope this little excerpt of inspiration and faith will help encourage you to explore the realities of the power of prayer and that you will begin to make prayer a part of your life every day. I pray for God's continued blessings upon all your lives.

Pastor Tim

Ron's Corner



No Article this month

Next month you will find out who this is.

Memorial Day Barbeque

Thank you to Jean Johnson who hosted an annual Memorial Day BBQ at her house. Jean's goal is not just great food, but also bringing people together.

It was a wonderful afternoon of food, fun, games and fellowship, and a great time was had by all.

Women On Mission Field Trip

Saturday, July 20th 10:00 a.m.

We will be going to the Telegraph Community Center in Oakland to visit and see what they do and maybe to help out some. We will be leaving the church at 10:00 a.m.

Chris Watson, director is happy to have us come.

Bring a bag lunch as we will be there for a couple of hours.

Please let Chery know if you will be coming so we can plan transportation. We will be car pooling.

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

Here is an opportunity for you to participate in an annual outreach ministry. You will be helping thousands of others to make a child's Christmas something special.

This month we are asking for Hygiene items such as toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, bar of soap, etc.

Cash donations are needed to help pay for shipping of the boxes.



Vacation Bible School

July 28 - August 2 6 PM - 8:30 PM

Get on the roller coaster ride that is VBS 2013!

We will have classes for ages 3 years through adults. There will be themerelated crafts, snacks, and mission projects.

Daily Bible study will challenge us to face our fears through the power of God's Word.

Friday night, August 2, is Family Night. You are invited to join us for dinner at 6 PM, followed by a special program featuring the VBS students. There will be a prize for everyone who attends.

The "ride" begins on Sunday, July 28 at 6 PM. See you there!

Church Schedule

Sunday School 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship 5:00 p..m

"Pray for Our Men and Women in Uniform"

Devon Henesley - Grandson of Jean Johnson **Branch** - Navy **Rank** - 2nd Class **Assignment** - Virginia Beach

Megan Hines - Daughter of Pastor Tim and Donna Hines - Branch - Marines Rank - Private - Assignment - Boot Camp

July Calendar

3rd - No Wednesday Dinner & Bible Study - 5:00 p.m.

4th - Office Closed - Fourth of July

7th - No Evening Service

8th - Rest Home Ministry - 11:00 a.m.

10th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.

13th - Vacation Bible School Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

- Afghan Back Packs - 12:00 p.m.

14th - Lord's Supper - 10:45 a.m.

- Church Council - 3:45 p.m.

16th - Prayer Night - 6:30 p.m.

17th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.

20th - Mission Trip to Oakland - 10:00 a.m.

22nd - Rest Home Ministry - 11:00 a.m

23rd - Prayer Night - 6:30 p.m.

24th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.

25th - Open Door Mission - 6:15 p.m.

27th - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.

28th - 31st - Vacation Bible School - 6:00 p.m.

30th - Prayer Night - 6:30 p.m.



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17th - Sue Abbott

21st - Margaret Ferguson

23rd - Sita Abulencia

29th - Don Clark

30th - Millie Brogdon

Happy Anniversary

4th - Bill & Shauna Duncan

5th - Jeff & Debbie Machetta

16th - Alex & Lisa Villafuerte



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Sunday Morning Messages

On Sunday Morning at 10:45 a.m., our Pastor is preaching a series of sermons on "The Acts of the Apostles".

Sunday Evening Messages

On Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m., our Pastor is leading us in a series of sermons on "What Does it Mean to be a Christian".

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

On Wednesday Evening at 5:45 p.m., our Pastor is leading a Bible Study on "Wisdom".

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY



Hope you have a great fourth of July.