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## FAMILY NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS Monday through Friday 9 AM to 1 PM

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Starts Friday Mar 6th at 6:30 PM

Healthy marriages are a pleasure to God's heart. If you are unable to attend this seminar, you can still participate by praying for our members who are attending. Pray that they will learn valuable information that can be used not only on their own relationships, but in future interactions with family and friends.

If you would like to attend but haven't signed up, please see an Elder. We have a place for you, and if you hurry you could possibly get a book set too.

### "THE MAIN THING"

1. To **love the Lord** our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our mind and with all our strength.
2. To **love our neighbors** as ourselves.
3. To **go and make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything Christ has commanded us.

### PLEASE FILL OUT A FELLOWSHIP CARD

Everyone is asked to fill out a Fellowship Card, which you will find in the song book rack. If you have questions or comments, feel free to write them on the back of the Fellowship Card, or talk to any member. The cards are picked up at the start of our service or can be placed in an offering plate.

For visitors, more general information is available on bookmarks in the Bibles located in the song book rack.



## Gregg's Good News

In the Gospel of John, Jesus offers an unexpected definition of eternal life. "Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent." (John 17:3)

"Eternal Life." We tend to emphasize the length of life the saved anticipate with God. In the words of Buzz Lightyear of the movie Toy Story, "To infinity and beyond." Without question, eternity or "infinity plus" is a length of time that transcends my human understanding.

On the other hand, it is easier to sense the implications of life vs. death. Whether for one day or a hundred, the prospect of dwelling in

a hell where God is absent is a future I have no interest in. That is death indeed. In contrast, every moment of living intimacy with God is a prize I joyfully pursue both today and for the future.

As I combine the thoughts, I begin to realize that whether I am thinking about the present or the future: If God is not present with me, I am walking dead. And every moment of life spent with an intimate awareness/knowledge of God is experiencing life.

Yet I can't leave my consideration of the verse without acknowledging the context of Jesus' statement. Jesus is praying to the Father on the eve of his death by crucifixion. At a moment when the longevity of Jesus' security with God could be at the forefront, he identifies for us a truth that doesn't wait until physical death to become pertinent. Eternal life starts now: at

the time you become a Christian. You step out of being one of the walking dead and begin walking the life of the resurrected Christ. It is life of a whole new quality that begins in the here and now. It is "eternal" life. Life inspired, shaped and sustained by no one less than God the Spirit himself.

Some have critiqued Christianity as little more than a delusional drug. They say Christians place hope in a future "fairylane" because they are too weak to endure or change the present.

Jesus' vision is starkly different. We know God now. So we live to make the world increasingly the kingdom of God without losing joy over the still unclaimed territory.



**PM Preview TONIGHT: Video, "The Story" begins at 5:00 pm**

# RALLY IN THE VALLEY

April 10-12, 2015

Please continue to pray for our rally.

Our theme this year is: Our Reasons For Existence.

Registration is open NOW: [2020circle.com/rally-in-the-valley](http://2020circle.com/rally-in-the-valley)

## SCHEDULE OF FAMILY EVENTS

Mar 6-7 - The Art of Marriage, starts at 6:30 PM

Mar 8th - Deacon & Minister meeting 3:30 PM

Mar 15th - Special teacher for Adult Bible Class, Jeff Walling, 9:30 AM

Mar 21-28 - UCC Mission Trip to Richmond, CA

Mar 29th - 5th Sunday Singing, Veneta Church of Christ, 2 PM

Apr 3rd - Widow's Date Night at Circle

Apr 10-12 - Rally in the Valley

May 2nd - Women's Luncheon, Circle Basement, 12 PM

What you heard  
from me, keep as  
the pattern of sound  
teaching, with faith  
and love in  
Christ Jesus.

**2 Timothy 1:13**



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**UCC Office Hours**

M 9am-3pm  
T 2pm-10pm  
F 9am-3pm

40...it used to seem so old. To a child it is equivalent to being 100 or 1 billion. It's sooo old. Good thing I'm not there yet. :) But my brother-in-law is and it has me thinking. Life is roughly half over. What have I done? What have I been part of?

Then I wonder, where do those questions lead you? Is it travel, or family, or a job, or money? Or is it kingdom involvement, like going on a mission trip or church camp, or serving someone, or leading someone to Jesus. Living as a disciple and being a disciple maker is fulfilling kingdom work. May our next "40 years" be filled with fulfilling kingdom work.



Campus Minister and Family  
Jason, Amanda, Josiah and  
Jaron Swick

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE FAMILY NEEDS**

**Health:**

Please pray for God's healing hand to be upon those with cancer:

- Rob Hartley, Renee Gunselman's brother
- Greg, Jensens' neighbor
- Debbie Smith, Florence Purvis' granddaughter
- Lydia Perry, breast cancer
- Karen Solomenson, Evelyn Eastridge's friend
- Tina, Nora Cloutier's friend, brain cancer
- Elizabeth Black, Shirley Womack's sister, throat cancer
- Artie Emmerich, lung cancer
- Delia Cris, mother of Briar's friend

Please pray for continued recovery for Lydia Perry.

Pray for Merle & Jean Woods, who are both sick, for healing.

Pray for Ron McCaughan, who was in the hospital this past week with a stomach illness. He's doing better but needs prayers for healing.

Cathy Brooks requests prayer for a friend, Vella, in AZ who is at home recovering from cancer surgery and is seeking our prayers. There's a long road yet to health.

Please continue to pray for the health of:

- Katy Pyron
- Phil & Linda Weimer
- Patsy Linder
- Donna & Paul Johnson, daughter Heidi
- JoAnne Million
- Zane Rogers (Brooks' grandson)
- LaVera Crownover
- Alex Bracht, daily headaches
- Elizabeth Emmerich
- Joyce Brooks
- Ezra Parker
- Barb Hammar, concussion

**Physical:**

Bless the 3 Harding kids going to Chile on March 1 (Allison, Zac, & Emma).

Please join Anna Hewitt, friend of Summer Shore, in prayer for her new born son Jack Hewitt. He has had some abnormal test results. The tests will be repeated on Monday, and a pediatric oncologist is being consulted.

**Travel:**

Pray for safe travels for Gabriel, Sarah Calkin's friend, to and from LA.

**Pray for our Moms-to-Be:**

Marissa and Aaron Veik, due April 6, 2015

Melody and Nate Otta, due April 28, 2015

Jenny and Eric Eastridge, due in July.



**Jared Ireland, Corvallis**  
**Cory Murray, Afghanistan**  
All active duty military around the world.

Check out our website. Events, calendars, and information about us are all available. And it is always changing!!

Keep up with all the news! Follow our Facebook page:  
**Circle Church of Christ.**

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## Want to get involved?

**Assembly Ministry** . . . . . Gregg Strawn, Mike Sorah  
**Building/Grounds (Church & UCC)** . . . . . Greg Brown  
Josh Wise, Peter McPartlin, and Ezra Childress  
**Campus Ministry** . . . . . Jason Swick  
**Education Ministry** . . . . . Casey and Darla Long  
**Evangelism Ministry** . . . . . José Reyes  
**Fellowship Ministry** . . . . . Ed and Renee' Gunselman  
**Involvement Ministry** . . . . . See Elders  
**Life Group Ministry** . . . . . Mark and Nancy Johnson  
**Media Ministry** . . . . . Frank Cloutier  
Webmaster Tim Emmerich  
**Men of Iron** . . . . . Rolland House  
**People Needs Facilitator** . . . . . Tami Brown  
**Clothing Drive Lead** . . . . . Linda Leslie  
**Food Boxes Lead** . . . . . Charlene Franklund  
**Publicity Ministry** . . . . . Tami Brown  
**Van Ministry** . . . . . Bob and Cody Parsons  
**Visitor Experience Ministry** . . . . . See Elders  
**Vision Ministry** . . . . . Elders, Deacons, Ministers and  
their wives  
**Widows Ministry** . . . . . Peter and Pam McPartlin  
**Women's Ministry** . . . . . Laurie Eastridge  
**Youth Ministry** . . . . . Mike and Shannon Sorah  
and Eric and Jann Bracht

## Good News section:

Natalie Eastridge and The Monroe Lady Dragons are the Mt View Conference Champions with a 14-0 record!! Be sure to give Natalie a high five when you see her!

The Eastridges thank God for the body of Christ.

Praise for answered prayer - Laurie Eastridge's mom is doing extremely well following knee replacement surgery.

Esther Gunselman and the Sweet Home Swim Team finished 2nd overall at state! Esther made a personal record for the 100 butterfly adding to the teams 3 members achieving personal records and 3 members achieving state records.

### Please help our schools:

In the foyer is a collection box for Box Tops for Education and for Labels for Education. Our area schools will welcome your donations.



## MONTHLY SERVANTS

**Eldership Leader:** Mark Johnson  
**Deacon/Minister Leader:** José Reyes  
**Emergency Needs:** Chilly Thayer  
**Communion Prep:** Dale & Tami Brown  
**PA Attendant:** Michael Sorah  
**Kids' Time:** YES!!  
**Service Monitor:** Eric Jensen

## WEEKLY SERVANTS

	Mar 1	Mar 8
<b>MORNING</b>		
<b>Greeters:</b>	J Ireland P Ireland K McPartlin	D Brown T Brown K Kessler
<b>Ushers:</b>	T Emmerich B Fields	E Bracht A Rugh
<b>Attendance:</b>	J Paul	N Franklund
<b>Communion:</b>	R Bracht	B Sorah
<b>Counting Aide:</b>	L Sorah N Franklund	J Paul J Emmerich
<b>Nursery:</b>	S Smith N Gunselman	S Shore A Hammar
<b>Notes /Cards:</b>	Em Jensen L House	D Eastridge S Childress
<b>Song Leader:</b>	J Swick	R House
<b>Speaker:</b>	G Strawn	G Strawn
<b>Lord's Table:</b>	D Patton	P McPartlin
<b>Servers:</b>	C Cloutier C Long J Parker	J Wise J Gunselman J Swick
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	F Womack	E Womack
<b>Pastoral Prayer:</b>	M Johnson	C Long
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	M Johnson	C Long
<b>5:00 PM EVENING SCHEDULE</b>		
<b>Song Leader:</b>	J Swick	Park Place

**SECOND SUNDAY EVENING of the MONTH**  
Singing at Park Place Assisted Living,\*  
2595 NE Jack London, at 5:45 PM

Sunday Morning Attendance	176
February 22nd Contribution	\$3,488
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$4,924
Weekly Budget	\$4,400

## Circle Leaders

### Elders



Mark Johnson  
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Casey Long  
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### Deacons

Ed Gunselman, Eric Jensen, Peter McPartlin, José Reyes, Michael Sorah, Josh Wise

### Ministers

All the members of the  
Congregation  
(1 Peter 2:9)



W. Gregg Strawn  
Minister of the Word

Jason Swick  
Campus Minister



Tami Brown  
Office  
Administrator

### Outreach Programs:

Bay Area Rescue Mission  
Clothing Drive  
Food Boxes  
Mountain States Children Home  
Orphan Sunday  
Quilts for CASA  
Special Situations  
University Christian Center  
Wells in East Africa

### 2020 Circle Family Times

#### Sunday

9:30 AM Bible Classes  
for all ages  
10:30 AM Worship  
5:00 PM Assembly

#### Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class  
10:30 am

#### Wednesday

7:00 PM Bible Study  
At Circle

Assorted Life Groups

Call 541-758-4456 for details