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**Please Pray For Our Family** 

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

Les Brooks (malignant leukemia); Renee Gunselman's parents; Gregg's cousin Susan, serious cancer Please continue to pray for:

Keith Cornell, Phil & Linda Weimer, Paul & Donna Johnson, Jean Woods, Betty Carter, Al Hendrickson, Reneé's mom, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Bill Perry

**Pray Also For These Health Requests:** 

Pam Strawn, who has been experiencing headaches since August. MRI results are pending. Please contact Gail McCaughan or Nancy Johnson for more information.

Jean, Nora's cousin, as she recovers from recent surgery in a nursing home. She is feeling lonely and isolated, as the nursing home does not currently allow visitors. 11/8 Update: Jean has been diagnosed with COVID-19 and is now

Reneé's mom, who is recovering in a nursing home from a second hip replacement following a fall. Virgil and his family, who experienced a murder in their family last week. Pray for his sister-in-law and her family. Mary, a friend of the Brooks', that she will continue making good choices in her life and have a stable home. Virgil's sister, Tammy, with severe back pain. She has been unable to drive and work.

Casey's friend, Bill, dealing with a difficult cancer, and for his family and friends as they support and care for him through this.

An unnamed friend of the Longs, dealing with a safety risk, that they will be safe and find a better situation. Update: She was found and is doing okay.

Jerry Home, who will hopefully be moving home from the care facility soon. Baby Lewis, a friend of the Hammars, born with Kawasaki disease, that he will grow up healthy. Ezra Parker, who has a surgery coming up on November 30th. James' friend Matt's health.

The Freemans, as they are moving this Saturday, for everything to go smoothly. Ron Eastridge and Glenn Hallas.

Tom and Maria Zhang, who have an immigration interview coming up.

#### Jean Woods, Ron Eastridge, Linda Holland, Hallas Family

Please keep the Hallas family in your prayers as they process and adjust to their new lives. Please pray especially for big court decisions being made soon. 11/8 Update: Glenn has been convicted, and faces a very long time in jail.

Military: Jordan Paul, stationed in N Carolina in extensive training; John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy Engaged Couples: Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda; Gabriel Gunselman & McKenzie Kemp Expecting Mothers: Alicia Gollakner, Naomi Smith, Summer Shore, Shima Kanani, Alanna Sullivan Spiritual:

We pray we will rise to the challenge of loving God and others.

We pray for peace in our country and a peaceful transition as our newly elected government officials at all levels move into their new positions.

Deacons: Eric Bracht, Adam Goddard, Ed Gunselman, Rolland House, Eric Jensen, Ryan McPartlin, Bob Parsons, Jose Reyes, Jake Shore, Jordan Strawn, Josh Wise

Outreach Programs: Bay Area Rescue Mission, Christian Relief Fund, Clothing Drive, East Asian Missions, Food Boxes, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphan Sunday, Quilts for CASA, Special Situations, University Christian Center



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### 2020 Circle Family Times

Sunday: 9:30AM Bible Classes for all ages

10:30AM Worship

Wednesday: Various Life Groups Office Hours: S: 2-5; M-R: 8-4; F: 8-12

# **Family Newsletter**



Orphans Lifeline of Hope brings hope to Orphans of the world by providing food, shelter, medical care, Bibles, educational assistance, adoption advocacy and more! Help us raise \$1,000 to support Orphans Lifeline of Hope on December 6th!

#### "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.

#### **Upcoming Events**

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9:30am: "Encouragement For Today" class continues online and in person

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ

December 6, 2020: Giving Sunday December 12th, 6:30pm: Digital Family

Christmas Movie Night



# Thomas' Takeaways

#### **Giving Thanks In All Circumstances**

As we all know, Thanksgiving is just around the corner. This year, as with the rest of 2020, may look a little different. There are certain restrictions in place, and it certainly feels like these restrictions were put in place only to hamper our holiday traditions! But, we are still blessed and we can still celebrate with the people around us.

The restrictions allow 2 households to get together, as long as the two households do not exceed a set number of people. If you have a small family and miss getting together with people, why not invite another couple or small family over for dinner (if you are comfortable doing so)? Use this opportunity to get to know a small number of people a little better. Do you already have a large family? Why not make just your favorite Thanksgiving dishes (no need to make brussels sprout casserole if your second cousin is not coming over)? Or, make everyone's favorite foods and have a different kind of feast. The point is, even with these restrictions, and even with the way 2020 has gone, you can still celebrate Thanksgiving and find things to be thankful for.

On that subject, what are you thankful for this year? One person I have spoken to is actually very thankful for an opportunity to work from home almost all year. Technology has made it possible for them to do their job from home, and they have enjoyed spending more time with their family as their spouse also works from home. Has 2020 brought you any unexpected blessings?

I, personally, am thankful for technology that allows us to share our Worship services online with more people than ever before. I was SO EXCITED for the year 2020, since our address is 2020 NW Circle Blvd. I was SO SURE that God was going to do great things in our church and grow our numbers. And, through COVID, he has. We have so many thousands of people viewing our services online from all over the world. EVERY WEEK. We are blessed that God can still work through us. Grace to you.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

We are so sorry to announce that with the current COVID restrictions, the 2021 Women's Retreat is cancelled.

Are you ready for some Christmas music? Check out this awesome Christmas stream! Find it online at familyradio.org and choose "Christmas Stream", or tune your radio to FM 88.9!



Gabriel and McKenzie are getting married! Check their website (https://www.theknot.com/us/mckenzie-kemp-and-gabriel-gunselman-dec-2020) to see their photos, registry, and a Zoom wedding link.



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"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' <sup>32</sup> For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well" (Matthew 6:31-33).

Did anyone else do any worrying this week? When I heard about the holiday lockdown, I immediately got anxious and angry. I was probably distracted for at least 30 minutes-1 hour while I worried about its implications. What about the in-person activities I have already planned for UCC? Should I cancel them? What about the 6 person, 2 family limit on Thanksgiving? My nuclear family is 9 people, 3 households. If I attend it's illegal and if I do not attend it will be legal. Do I need to take one for the team and not go? All these things filled me with anxiety and anger to the point where I couldn't do my work. So I prayed about it. Then finally, I reached out to our faith liaison with the government. She was very helpful and told me because UCC is smaller than 25 people, we can continue as normal. I also called my mom, and she told me my sister's family was going to be in Scappoose eating with my brother-in-law's family. So actually the holiday shutdown does not really affect me. I wasted time and emotion worrying about it. I should have just prayed and trusted God to work things out.

## **Sunday Servants**

Elder of the Month: Casey Long

Deacon of the Month: Jordan Strawn

Service Monitor: Jim Calkin

A/V:

**Opening Prayer:** E Bracht **Communion:** M Johnson

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Jordan Strawn

Speaker:

**Sunday Morning Attendance** 40

**Last Week's Contribution** \$4,286.19

Year to Date Weekly Average \$4,528.33 Weekly Budget \$4,705.29 Overall Support... ....M Zhang, G Brown, J Wise Campus Ministry. ..Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen Church Safety Ministry..... ...Rvan McPartlin, Josh Wise Discipleship Ministry..... ...Jose Reves **Education Ministry**. ...Thomas Pruett (CR-8th Grade) High School... ...Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen Adult..... ....Casev Long R & H McPartlin, J & S Shore, L Wise, E Womack Coordinators. Fellowship Ministry ..Ed, Renee & Joel Gunselman Life Group Ministry. .Jordan & Kellie Strawn Marriage & Family Ministry... ..Adam & Erin Goddard Media/Web Ministry.. ...Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan ...Rolland House, Bob Parsons, Jake Shore Men of Iron People Needs Facilitators.... ....Tami Brown & Maria Zhang Clothing Drive Lead. .Charlene Franklund Food Boxes Lead... ...Charlene Franklund Publicity Ministry..... Maria 7hang Quilts for CASA.. .. Cathy Brooks Roster List. ..Maria Z, Casey L Van Ministry ...Bob Parsons, Chris Gollakner Visitor Experience Ministry... ..See Elders Vision Ministry.....Elders, Deacons, Ministers, Ministry Leaders & Spouses

Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Parsons, P Strawn, M Zhang, R Gunselman

Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

...Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons

.....Lead: Laurie Eastridge

... Thomas Pruett & The Worship Team

Fric & Jann Bracht and Fric & Chris Jenser

Circle Facilitator Inside......
Outside Circle Facilitator....

UCC Facilitator...

Widows Ministry...

Worship Ministry..

Youth Ministry

Women's Ministry.....