

Elders



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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 Gungelman'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, Renee's mom, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Bill Perry, Ron Eastridge & his family, Glenn Hallas & his family, Gregg Strawn, Hendrickson Family

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Prayers are asked for and needed for the extended family of Vern and Judy Miebach, including the Longs, and especially the Stringers, in the death of Leah Stringer, their daughter. She has died from an apparent accidental drug overdose. Leah was the young lady we had been praying for that had been missing a few months back. This is a devastating and tragic end of a young life.

Pray for Laurie's sister who is having some medical tests done this week. We pray these tests will solve the issues she has been facing. Continue praying for Linda Weimer. She injured her neck a while ago, and it is not healing properly. Please pray for God's healing hand to be on Linda and to ease her pain.

We pray for Summer's friend Jeremiah who is currently on a ventilator in the ICU fighting COVID.

We pray for Barb's upcoming medical procedure to go well and achieve the desired outcomes.

We lift up Linda Rugh's little grand niece, who was born last week at 27 weeks. We pray she will be healthy and that she will grow up knowing God and have a great relationship with Him.

We pray for Nicole Koon's father who had eye surgery last week. We pray for good outcomes from the surgery.

We pray for Alan and Cathy's son, Kevin Brooks, who had surgery last week. We pray he will have peace and that the surgery will go well and his recovery will be smooth.

Pray for Amy's mom, who has a back surgery coming up. We pray the surgery will solve her back problems and bring relief from pain. We pray for the Pruett kids who picked up a cold and are passing it between each other. We pray they will be healed and healthy, and that Thomas and Amy can get some rest.

We pray for Jean Woods as she is experiencing some side effects from her 2nd COVID vaccine. We pray she will recover quickly, and we are so thankful the vaccine is available now!

We continue to pray for Geri York, that You will work a miracle in her life and heal her sight. We also pray for her to have patience and encouragement as she adjusts to a new life.

Please also pray for Alan's uncle Jim, in a nursing home in Texas due to continuing UTI, and for Jim's daughter Alyce who is back in the hospital for unknown reasons.

Pray for Lois Munson to be healed from gout.

Physical:

We continue to pray for Ron, Glenn and Shawn, that God will be with them.

We pray for Gregg Strawn and his family to experience God's comfort and love as they deal with the continued struggles of losing loved ones and adapting to a new life. We are especially mindful of Gregg, who had a tough week, and we pray he will experience God's love in a tangible way this week.

Please pray for the family of Lois Munson's friend Jim. Jim passed away about a week ago.

We pray that everyone who is seeking employment will find it, and that their work will be satisfying.

We lift up all the teachers, students, and their families as they go back to in-person school this week. We pray everyone will be healthy, and that school will continue to be an environment where students can learn and grow.

We pray for everyone who is making big decisions this week, that they will have God's guidance and wisdom in their decisions.

We pray for all our senior saints. We love them all so much, and we pray they are experiencing God's love and care during this pandemic. We are so thankful for them and their lives of faith.

Military: John, Betty Carter's grandson, Navy

Engaged Couples: Cody Parsons and Michelle Maeda; Tony Chen & Kaitlin Hill; Ryan Bracht & Allaina West

Praise:

We rejoice that Vince Gomez is home from the hospital! He will need dialysis a few days a week, but we pray this lifestyle change will give Vince a better quality of life.

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

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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April 4, 2021

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

Who Is This Man?

"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

April 4th, 9:30am: Bible Class
April 4th, 10:30am: Livestream Worship on our website, Facebook & YouTube; In person meeting at Circle Church of Christ
April 10th, 9-12: Work Party to sort children's and baby's clothing
May 15th, 8-6: Clothing Give Away for Babies and Children



Thomas' Takeaways

Celebrating Easter

In our tradition, there has always been a tension around celebrating certain days. This mainly comes from Galatians 4 in which Paul warns against celebrating “special days and months and seasons and years!” (Gal. 4:10). BUT Paul then also tells the Romans in 14:5 that some celebrate special days, others don’t, and let each be convinced in their own mind. So, what’s up, Paul??!

The difference lies in the reasons Paul was writing. The Romans were fighting and disfellowshipping each other as Christians over certain things that were based on opinion & preference, not directly tied to salvation or the understanding of who Christ is. Thus, he's writing towards the same conclusion he gave the Corinthians in Ch. 8, in that whether you eat meat or don't (or celebrate certain days) it's about how you treat your brother as you both are in Christ. The Galatians, on the other hand, were starting to be influenced by certain teachers who were teaching a Jesus+ salvation, or that Jesus plus doing these certain things will save you, some of them being celebrating certain days, months, seasons, & years to *be saved*, as in celebrating them was essential for salvation. To this doctrine does Paul call them fools for believing (Gal. 3:1).

So, is Easter worth celebrating as a ‘special’ day? Well, that’s honestly up to you. But there are a few points worth considering. Firstly, it’s what the whole of Christianity hinges on. Many other ‘messiahs’ have died, but only one has overcome death to help us to the same. Paul himself says if the resurrection isn’t true then Christians are the most pitiable of people (1st Cor. 15:19). Secondly, it’s one of the most obvious and tangible reminders of what new life truly is – not just a teaching, belief, or a memory, but truly new, eternal life rising from death by the power of God, and this power you have as well (Romans 8:11). Thirdly, it’s a reminder of what Christianity is, not just an event but a journey – Christ rose, but wasn’t and isn’t done with the world or us yet, but it was the start. And finally, no matter who celebrates it, from Resurrection day on, the world was never the same. So, while celebrating the day (or not) won’t save you or condemn you, it does sound pretty special to me. Happy Easter, and grace to you!

Thoughts, Questions, Notes

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We desperately need volunteers to help sort and hang baby and children clothing on Saturday April 10th from 9am-12pm. We have jobs for all ages and abilities, and we need all the hands we can get! We are mindful of COVID-19 and its precautions, and no one who helps will be asked to do anything they are uncomfortable with.

Sunday Morning Attendance	38
Last Week's Contribution	\$4,196.80
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$5,577.78
Weekly Budget	\$4,705.29



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This week we studied the story of Jesus cleansing the leper (Matthew 8:1-4). Interestingly enough, I experienced flaky skin this week in the form of a badly sunburned face. Don't get me wrong, a sunburn is not nearly as bad as leprosy, but it made me realize some things this guy must have been going through: 1) When you've got peeling skin on your face, you don't want to be around people. This week it took all the courage I had to go on campus to recruit students. 2) People treat you differently when there is something wrong with your face. When people see you they will either avoid you or show you a sort of disgusted compassion (oh, you poor thing, were you out in the sun too much?). No matter what their attitude, they can't help looking at your ugliness. 3) The physical pain is intense! It's hard to sleep or focus on your work.

My sunburn was only temporary and a result of my own carelessness. Can you imagine if you contracted a permanent skin disease through no fault of your own? How would that affect your relationship with God and others? Would you be more reclusive, lonely and depressed? Would you have lower self confidence? Would you question God's love for you? This makes this story all the more amazing. This guy had the guts to break the law and approach Jesus, and Jesus had the guts to break the law to heal him. But it wasn't really breaking the intent of the law because both Jesus and the Leper knew Jesus was able to take our illnesses and carry our diseases (Matthew 8:17).



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Sunday Servants Apr 4

Elder of the Month: Mark Johnson
Deacon/Minister of the Month: Thomas Pruett
Service Monitor: Jim Calkin
A/V: B McCaughan/J Gunselman; J Baxter/B McCaughan
Song Leader: Rolland House
Opening Prayer: Josh Parker
Communion: A Member
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Casey Long
Speaker: Thomas Pruett

Sunday Servants Apr 11

A/V: B McCaughan/F Cloutier; J Baxter/J Gunselman
Song Leader: Ryan McPartlin
Opening Prayer: Eric Bracht
Communion: Joe Hammar
Closing/Pastoral Prayer: Casey Long
Speaker: Thomas Pruett

Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved!

Circle Facilitator Inside.....Eric Bracht

Outside Circle Facilitator.....Jim Calkin

UCC Facilitator.....Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons

Overall Support.....M Zhang, G Brown, J Wise

Campus Ministry.....Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen

Church Safety Ministry.....Ryan McPartlin, Josh Wise

Discipleship Ministry.....Jose Reyes

Education Ministry.....Thomas Pruett (CR-8th Grade)

High School.....Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen

Adult.....Casey Long

Coordinators.....R & H McPartlin, J & S Shore, L Wise, E Womack

Fellowship Ministry.....Ed, Renee & Joel Günselman

Life Group Ministry.....Jordan & Kellie Strawn

Marriage & Family Ministry.....Adam & Erin Goddard

Media/Web Ministry.....Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan

Men of Iron.....Rolland House, Bob Parsons, Jake Shore

People Needs Facilitators.....Tami Brown & Maria Zhang

Clothing Drive Lead.....Charlene Franklund

Food Boxes Lead.....Charlene Franklund

Publicity Ministry.....Maria Zhang

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

Widows Ministry.....L Munson

Women's Ministry.....Lead: Laurie Eastridge

 Support Team: T Brown, M Freeman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang, R Günselman

Worship Ministry.....Thomas Pruett & The Worship Team

Youth Ministry.....Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen