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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)

### Please continue to pray for:

Keith Cornell, Phil & Linda Weimer, Paul & Donna Johnson, Jean Woods, Linda Holland, Charlotte Bibb, Les & Joyce Brooks, Glenn Hallas & his family, Reneé Gunselman's mother, Deanna Patton, Tim Eastridge (recovery and physical therapy)

## **Pray Also For These Health Requests:**

Pray for Susan's friend Tara, who has lower back pain.

Please pray for Nora Cloutier, who is having a thyroid biopsy on May 18th.

Please continue praying for Thomas Pruett. **5/12 Update: Thomas enjoyed a weekend at home before** being readmitted to OHSU due to fluid retention, swelling, and shortness of breath. Please pray for him and for Amy as she cares for their children during this season.

#### Physical:

Please pray for the Hallas family, who are going through a very difficult time right now.

Please keep Susan in your prayers for the month of May. This is a difficult month for her, filled with lots of memories of loved ones she has lost.

Pray for safe travels for everyone as they embark on springtime adventures.

Pray for our new Minister, Wes Hanson, and his family as they wrap up their time in Scappoose and prepare to move to Corvallis.

#### Spiritual:

Pray for Cathy's friend Mary to become part of a congregation.

Please pray for the Elders and the Minister Search Committee as they make a decision regarding our next Minister.

<u>Military:</u> Justin & Briar Rogers in Oregon National guard <u>Expecting Mothers:</u> Marisol Uzochukwu, Moncia Allen

<u>Widows, Widowers, and Orphans:</u> Pam Briggs, Ed Calcote, Bobbie Cooke, Anna Dyk, Sarah Giboney, Loralea Glenn, Linda Holland, Susan Melero, Virgil Oakes, Florence Purvis, Jean Schreiber, Luci Spencer, Gregg Strawn, Jean Woods, Geri York; Christian Relief Fund, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphans' Lifeline of Hope

#### Praise:

Praise for the construction of a new clothing bin! Thank you, Pat!
Susan gives praise for losing 26lbs in 2 years!

Deacons: Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen, Jose Reyes

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:** Monday-Friday, 8-5

# **Family Newsletter**



# "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**

May 14th, 9:30am: Bible Class

May 14th, 10:30am: Sunday Morning Worship (Livestream available at 2020circle.com):

## Eric Bracht

May 16th, 6-8:30pm: SongFest with Keith Lancaster at Eugene Church of Christ

May 17th, 7pm: "Peak of the Week" Life Group meeting at the building. All welcome.

June 4th: Graduation Celebration and Potluck
June 7th, 12-5pm: Blood Drive (Register to donate

online at redcross.org)

# From the Desk of Maria Zhang

"Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was 12 years old, they went up to the Festival, according to the custom. After the Festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they travelled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." "Why were you searching for me?" He asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what He was saying to them. Then He went down to Nazareth and was obedient to them. But His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." Luke 2:42-52

There is so much we can see about Mary's mothering heart in these ten verses about Jesus' life as a 12 year old.

First, we can see that Mary trusted Jesus while travelling, since she and Joseph didn't look for him all day. They trusted him to leave on time with the group, manage his belongings and food for the day, and not be a bother to whomever he was travelling with. How many of us would have enjoyed that kind of freedom at 12 years old?

Second, we know she worried about Jesus as soon as she realized he wasn't with the group. She told him later that she and Joseph had been ANXIOUSLY searching for him. AnnaBella can't get too far on her own yet, but you can bet that the first time she is not where I expect her to be, I will be anxiously looking for her too!

Third, despite the breach in trust and the anxiety brought on by three days of searching, she does not approach the young Jesus with anger. Instead, she asks him a question, and explains how his behavior made her feel. Jesus' reply, in the Scriptures, does not elicit a further angry response or talk of a consequence; Instead, he explains that he didn't know they would be searching for him, that he thought they knew where he would be. It seems that Mary accepts his answer here. I love that Mary's response was to put aside any frustration and anger that might be there, and to talk with Jesus, explain her feelings, and accept his explanation.

Fourth, Mary treasured all these things in her heart. She saw how the people in the temple were impressed with Jesus' knowledge, his questions and answers, and she treasured that experience, despite the anxiety she and Joseph went through when looking for Jesus.

Thoughts, Questions, Notes
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In addition to our weekly offering, we also raised \$2,194.28 for Bibles and songbooks for churches in Kenya last Sunday! Thank you for your generosity!

Everyone is invited to celebrate our high school and college graduates at a potluck directly following Worship on June 4<sup>th</sup>! Please talk to Josh to sign up if you are planning on attending the potluck. **Graduates**, please let Josh or Maria know you are graduating by May 21<sup>st</sup> so we can celebrate you!

Last Week's Contribution \$6196.51 Year to Date Weekly Average \$4,424.85 Weekly Budget \$5,284.00



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Special thanks to Jonathan Harless and the Hill Street (Albany) Congregation for cooking for us last Tuesday night. Jonathan is a great man working hard for the Lord and it was great to see him supporting his daughter Kimberly while she is at UCC. Also, good news, I slept 7 hours last night! This has not happened since 2019. I always wake up at least once (usually at 4 am) with acid reflux and have to eat something. Praise God!

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# Sunday Servants May 14

Elder of the Month: Rolland House

**A/V:** J Baxter/B McCaughan; A Bracht/Ca Jensen

**Song Leader:** C Long **Opening Prayer:** J Reyes **Communion:** N Acidera

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: E Gunselman

**Speaker:** Eric Bracht

# **Sunday Servants May 21**

**A/V:** A Brooks/J Gunselman; J House/C Murphy

Song Leader: R House

Opening Prayer: Ca Jensen Communion: J Stutzman

Closing/Pastoral Prayer: F Cloutier

Speaker: R Wood

# Ladies' Corner

You are invited to a Baby Shower for Monica Allen at 2pm on Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup>! Monica is registered at Target. Feel free to write a message in a book instead of a card, and consider bringing a package of diapers to enter the diaper raffle! Please RSVP to Lindy at 541-729-2578.

#### Many Hands Make Light Work...Get Involved! Circle Facilities Manager (Inside)... UCC Facilities Manager... ...Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons Campus Ministry. ..Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen Education Ministry... ..(CR-8th Grade) High School... ...Fric Bracht, Fric Jensen ...Rolland House .. Jann Bracht Media/Web Ministry... ...Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan Men of Iron. ..Rolland House Clothing Drive Lead. ...Loralea Glenn Food Boxes Lead.. ..Charlene Franklund Quilts for CASA.. ..Cathy Brooks Van Ministry.. .Bob Parsons, Chris Gollakner Widows Ministry Women's Ministry. ..T Brown. M Freeman. R Gunselman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang ...Eric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen