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), John Fancy's mom.

Pray Also For These Health Requests:

Please pray for Heidi's dad, Siegfried, who is in the hospital with a high fever and unknown infection. Continue praying for Don Krebs, Jennifer's dad. Pray for Keaton, a young man dealing with serious back problems. Please keep praying for Geri York, who has COVID.

Physical:

Pray for Shari and Gary Hostetler. She lost her sister and half brother, and are taking care of Gary's mom in hospice at home. Please pray for peace, comfort, strength in the service of care, and God letting them know He is there and in control.

Pray for Susan's stepsister to find a place to live. Please also pray for Susan and her neighbor Lauren to have a good, positive connection.

Please pray for Alex's friend Austin's first child being born mid-July. Pray for minimal complications for his wife, Kendal.

Spiritual:

May we be more spiritually vigilant in the lives of those who are seeking the Lord and help them be right with Him.

Military: Justin & Briar Rogers in Oregon National guard

<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, Jean Woods, Geri York; Christian Relief Fund, Mountain States Children's Home, Orphans' Lifeline of Hope

Praise:

Susan gives praise that she successfully wore her sleep apnea mask at night. Casey and Darla give prayers of thanks for their recent safe and enjoyable anniversary travel time together. The McCaughans give praise and thank you all for your prayers for Lance, their grandson, who had a good work experience in Saudi Arabia and a safe return home.

Doing some spring cleaning? We are always accepting donations of children's clothing (sizes NB-18 years old) and unopened, unexpired canned and boxed foods.

Deacons: Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen, Jose Reyes

Outreach Programs: 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, UCC Mission Trips



July 16, 2023

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

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Family Newsletter



Everyone is invited to join us for a potluck right after Worship next Sunday (July 23rd) to celebrate Ed Calcote's 100th Birthday!

The theme for this potluck is Comfort Food, so please bring your favorite comforting main and side dishes to share.

Cake will be provided, and please bring a card for Ed.

"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

July 16th, 9:30am: Bible Class July 16th, 10:30am: Sunday Morning Worship (Livestream available at 2020circle.com): Wes Hanson: "Coming To Church: What Is Church Anyway?"

July 19th, 7pm: "Peak of the Week" Life Group meeting at the building. All welcome. July 23rd, 12pm: Ed Calcote's 100th Birthday Potluck Celebration July 28th, 10am: LifeLine Screening Event

From the Desk of Misty Freeman

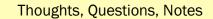
July is a special month in the USA. We celebrate Independence Day, and we have a chance to reflect on all the blessings of living in this beautiful country. I am so grateful that we are free to wake up in the morning and decide to travel to another state, that we are free to choose what food we will eat, the clothing we will wear, and that we can listen to music, watch shows, and read books as we like. I am particularly thankful for our form of government, a representative democracy, and am proud to have chosen a career to support its success.

This month I have also been reflecting on how to keep my true citizenship in its proper place. I belong first to the Kingdom of Heaven, a kingdom that Jesus tells us is "not of this world" (John 18:36). As much as I love our representative democracy, where the different values and priorities of its citizens are reflected in the choices we make, this kingdom is different. It has one head, one decision maker-King Jesus-whose values and priorities are the foundation of everything. Good news! We can trust that foundation. as we are told by authors throughout the Bible that God is good, faithful, just, blameless, and perfect (Luke 18:19; Psalm 18:30; Deuteronomy 32:4; Matthew 5:48).

How do I balance belonging to my country and to the Kingdom of Heaven? Jesus told His followers that, "No one can serve two masters; for either they will hate the one and love the other, or they will be devoted to one and despise the other" (Matthew 6:24). His guotation ends by saying that, "you cannot serve God and wealth." My understanding is that whether we are talking about wealth or country or any other thing we love, as citizens of God's kingdom, our allegiance is to Him first. Wherever there is a conflict between the two, His priorities win.

Where our country calls for individualism, seeking our own success, and Jesus says, "the last shall be first, and the first last," (Matthew 20:16)-Jesus wins. Where our country calls for liberty and the freedom to do as we please, and Jesus calls us to be more disciplined and pure than the laws we are under (Matthew 5:21-48), Jesus wins. Where our country calls for justice and giving others the punishment due them, and Jesus calls for us to turn the other cheek and go the extra mile (Matthew 5:38-42), Jesus wins. Whatever the human value and priority, we know that Jesus wins.

I am humbled to be a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven through the sacrifice of King Jesus. And I am thankful to be part of this beautiful country where I am free to worship my God and make choices for myself. My goal is to use that freedom to undertake the duties I have as a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven: to love the Lord with all my heart, and with all my soul, and with all my mind, and to love my neighbor as myself (Matthew 22:37-39). We are so blessed to be here in the USA today, and even more blessed to be part of the kingdom that transcends all countries and all time in the name of our Savior. Jesus.



Mark your calendars for July 23rd! We will have a birthday potluck celebration for Ed Calcote's 100th birthday! Please join us!



Last Week's Contribution	\$3,882.78
Year to Date Weekly Average	\$4,356.20
Weekly Budget	\$4,209.02



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Thanks to everyone who helped out with UCC work day. Tom Powell in particular helped me put together the list of jobs and took charge of improving our gutter drainage. What a great servant! As I am writing this, it's Thursday and the work day is Saturday, so more news later. T don't have too much else to report this week.

Sunday Servants July 16

Elder of the Month: Ed Gunselman A/V: J Baxter/B McCaughan: A Bracht/Ca Jensen Song Leader: T Wood **Opening Prayer:** M Johnson Communion: M Johnson Closing/Pastoral Prayer: R House Speaker: W Hanson

Sunday Servants July 23

A/V: G House/J Boss; J House/C Murphy Song Leader: R House **Opening Prayer:** B McCaughan **Communion:** R Bracht Closing/Pastoral Prayer: E Gunselman Speaker: W Hanson

Ladies' Corner

Ladies, please mark your calendars for Saturday September 30th! We will have our annual Ladies' Autumn Event in our basement. Time and details TBA.

Many Hands Make Light WorkGet Involved!		
Circle Facilities Manager (Inside)James Freeman		
UCC Facilities Manager	Nathan Lopez, Bob Parsons	
Campus Ministry	Josh Stutzman, Eric & Chris Jensen	
Education Ministry	(CR-8 th Grade)	
	Eric Bracht, Eric Jensen	
	Rolland House Jann Bracht	
	Frank Cloutier, Bill McCaughan	
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Clothing Drive Lead	Loralea Glenn	
Food Boxes Lead	Charlene Franklund	
Quilts for CASA	Cathy Brooks	
Van Ministry	Bob Parsons, Chris Gollakner	
Widows Ministry	L Munson	
Women's Ministry	T Brown, M Freeman,	
R Gunselman, N Johnson, J Parsons, M Zhang		
Youth MinistryEric & Jann Bracht and Eric & Chris Jensen		