

<u>December Birthdays</u>		<u>December Anniversaries</u>	
2	Al Olguin	27	Gerry Dixon & Kim Brenner
5	Gabriel Davis		
5	Judy Taylor		
10	Jackoline Olguin		
14	Sybil Atha		
23	Teclia Cunningham		
27	Steve Carricato		

Mission Work Areas

Quito, Ecuador
Mazatlán, Mexico
Reitoca & San Carlos, Honduras

New Prayer Requests

Polly Atha – taking a new medication. Her doctor believes it could put her in remission.
Carroll Fulton (Larry's Brother) – Doing better but still needs prayers
Gwynn Bulmer – Breast cancer has returned – recovering from a mastectomy.
Meagan Cavasos – will have her thyroid biopsy on Tuesday, Dec. 4., then on Dec. 11 she will see a neurologist regarding her fainting.
Aubrey Cavasos – is doing very well following her tonsillectomy.
Dean Strub Family – Dean Strub passed away last Sunday night. He has been fighting a number of problems, but it was thought that he would recover. Please keep his wife, Marilyn Strub, and all of the family in your prayers.
Linda Stewart – continues to struggle with her knee pain. Please keep her and Ian in your prayers.

Long Term Prayer List

Ron Hansen	Richard Pedrie
Jeri Obias (Colleen's sister)	Steve Iverson (friend of Petersens)
Lauren Stewart	Martha Kelly
Ian Stewart	Marilyn Bartlow
Julie Wilson (Rosie's Sister)	Wayne Bartlow
Norma Bartlow	Sandy Cavasos
Greg Pyle	

<u>December 9, 2018</u>		
Greeters:	Terry Reader	Len Gates
Announcements:	Ian Stewart	
Song Leader:	Gary Campbell	
Opening Prayer:	Pete Miller	
Closing Prayer:	Ken Davis	
Lord's Table:	Joe Autry	Dan Greene
	Stacey Moss	Pete Miller
Coordinator:	Gary Campbell	

Elders	
Stanten Sikes	(719) 395-8689
Ian Stewart	(720) 878-2919
Terry Reader	(719) 486-3147
Deacons	
Wayne Bartlow	(719) 395-2520
Gary Campbell	(719) 395-0589
Pete Miller	(719) 221-0162
Stacey Moss	(719) 395-9294
Ken Davis	(719) 748-8654
Kelly Beek	(719) 342-5856
Larry Fulton	(719) 398-9986

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When you visit us...

December 2, 2018

You can expect to find your friendly neighbor, assembled to worship God the Father, and proclaim the love and grace He has given to us; and remember Jesus, the Christ, our example—our Savior. We will strive always to provoke love and good deeds of one another.

As in the 1st Century New Testament Church, our worship to God is simple - without mankind's rituals. You will find a wholesome respect for the Word of God as inspired by the Holy Spirit. We study only the Holy Scriptures—no human creeds will be used by us.

In addition to the worship of our Creator, we strive to fulfill our Savior's stated plan for us by sharing His Gospel message with this community and throughout the world.

Sermons every Sunday will be based wholly upon the Word of God. They will be Christ - centered and Biblically based so we can develop a deepening relationship with God through our understanding and personal involvement with Him and His truth in our everyday life.

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Sunday	Wednesday
10:00 amBible Class	7:00 pm.....Devotional
11:00 am.....Assembly	or Bible Class
Noon.....Fellowship Meal	
1:30 pm.....Devotional	

Be Careful, You're Bending That Twig

We are all aware of the old proverb that says, "As a twig is bent, so will it grow." And when we seriously consider this, we know it is true. But it is so easy to forget this lesson. For parents, Solomon expressed the same principle when he said, "Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Prov. 22:6)

Parents, remember, you are bending that twig. One way or the other, to the right or to the left, for better or for worse, you are determining the course of life which that child will take. Be careful, lest you bend it in the wrong way.

Paul commanded parents to "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." (Eph. 6:4) This includes:

1. Train your children in **morality** - in clean thoughts, words, and deeds. "Wild oats" (corruption) that is practiced in childhood and adolescence cannot be productive of purity later. If you complacently watch their immorality in childhood, you can expect to see impurity in adulthood.

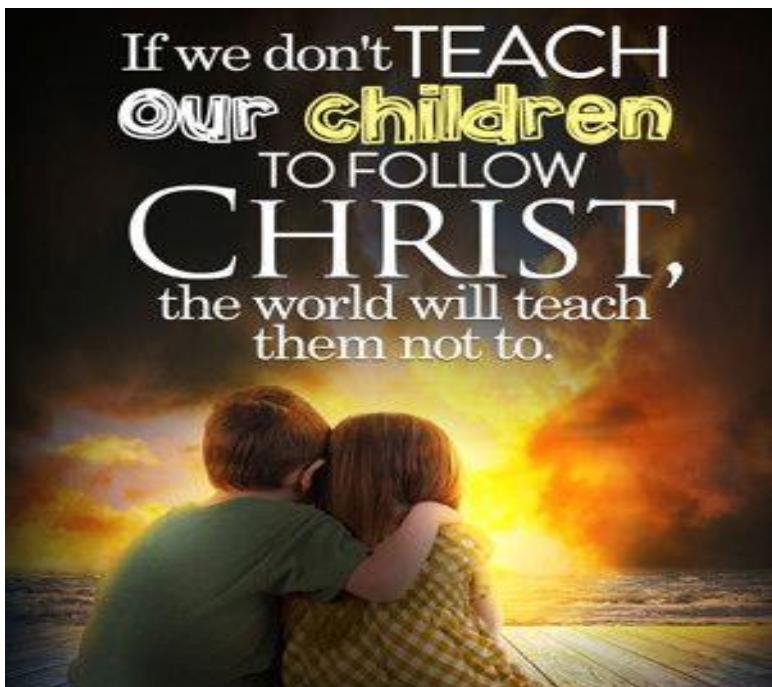
2. Train them in **honesty**. It is still the best policy! Help them to regard truth and fidelity as precious qualities. Show them, by word and by example, that half-truth is only a lie and that a man's word should be as good as his bond.

3. Train them to respect **authority**, always - the policeman, the teacher, the parent, and the Lord. If they do not learn to respect the first three, they will hardly respect the Lord either.

Your children deserve the best you can give them. They did not ask to be born, and their destiny is not really in their own little hands, but in your strong or weak will. And the best you can give them is not just measured in education, culture, financial security, etc., but in character which you produce in them.

Children are like Jello. Parents are the mold. What will your children become when they have been formed after your pattern and by your direction? Yes, you are bending that twig. Be sure you bend it right.

- Leslie Diestelkamp



A Few Words.....

Today, I would ask you to take a few moments to think about Paul's letter to the Ephesians. *Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4).* This is an important message to all of us who raise kids (and any who have influence on them) and it is a two part instruction.

First, Paul warns us not to "anger" our children. Now, this doesn't mean that we won't make our kids mad from time to time, but if we look in Colossians, we can see a little more explanation – *do not exasperate them, so that they will not lose heart (Colossians 3:21)*. You see, if we anger them, exasperate them, frustrate them in regards to the teachings of God, we will lose them and more importantly, they will be lost.

Second, we are told to "bring them up" in the Lord. The Greek word – *ektrepho* – translates, for one, as "nourish" – to provide food or other substances necessary for growth. That should be our focus when we are helping our kids to learn the ways of God. We need to see it as feeding them what they need for their nourishment and growth in the Lord. We have to help them to grow in God and the way we do it is to nourish them.

So, think about these words from God through the apostle, Paul. Are we feeding them? Are we helping them to grow? We have to teach them,

we have to lead them, we have to show them the things that God wants them to know.
~ Terry

Ephesians 6:1-4

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER (which is the first commandment with a promise), SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

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We want to give a great big thanks to the kids (and adults) that made the Thanksgiving Baskets. They were loaded with some great treats and we truly appreciate your work and giving.

Sybil Atha

Steve and Jill Carricato

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Colossians 3:18-21

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them. Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.

For your calendar.....

Wednesday, Dec. 19 - 7:00 PM	Santa's Visit