

June Birthdays		June Anniversaries	
14	Gene Petersen		
26	Shea Moss		

Mission Work Areas

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

New Prayer Requests

Wayne Bartlow – struggling with health issues. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
Austin Petty (Zirkle's Grandson) – original nodule in lung has shrunk, but has new tumors in lung. The tumor on the hip has grown a little. He will have an MRI to determine what can be done. Keep him and his family in your prayers.
Rick Moen (friend of the Gates) – he had a tumor in his neck that was treated earlier this year. He is not doing well. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.

Long Term Prayer List

Ron Hansen	Richard Pedrie
Ian Stewart	Greg Pyle
Gary Stewart	Beth Pedrie
Wayne & Marilyn Bartlow	Norma Bartlow
Joan Lawrence (stroke recovery)	Jamie Buettner (Sybil's daughter)
Melissa Wagle (cancer)	Sandy & Mike Cavasos – back surgeries
Rick Moen – tumor in neck - radiation	Tom Hartman (friend of Jeff Richards) – Mt Bike accident and cancer
Austin Petty (Zirkle's Grandson - cancer)	Perry Davis (Sybil's brother) – prostate cancer

July 31, 2022		
Greeters:	Len Gates	Terry Reader
Announcements:	Ian Stewart	
Song Leader:	Terry Reader	
Opening Prayer:	Jim Taylor	
Closing Prayer:	Ian Stewart	
Lord's Table:	Ken Davis	Terry Reader
	Kelly Beek	Al Olguin
Coordinator:	Dan Greene	

Elders

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When you visit us...

July 24, 2022

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
10:00 amBible Class
11:00 am.....Assembly
Noon.....Fellowship Meal
1:30 pm.....Devotional

Wednesday
7:00 pm.....Devotional
or Bible Class

Growing Together

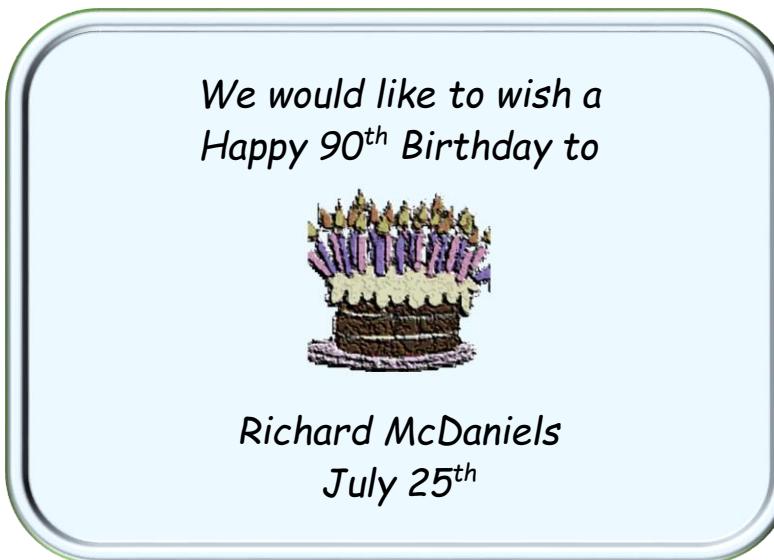
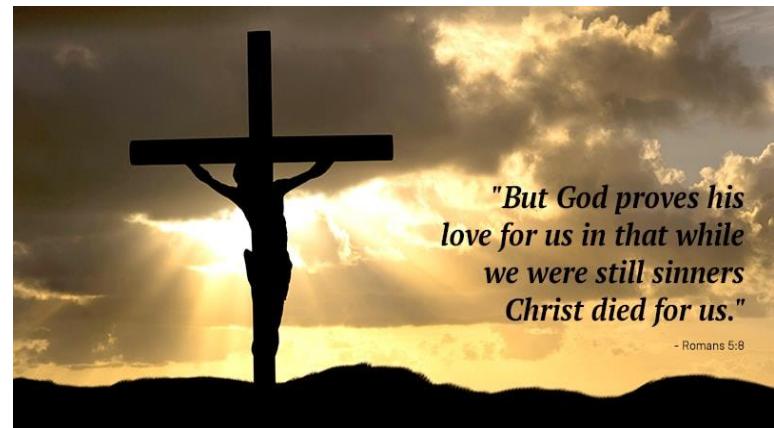
Travis Main

My son and daughter-in-law (greatest one ever) were married about ten months ago. They do not live to far from me, so I get to see them on a fairly frequent basis. They took a fair amount of time during the engagement period getting to know one another, but getting to know one another extends far beyond the engagement and into the marriage. My wife and I have been married 33 years this year and I continue to discover who she is. Do I know much more about my wife than my son does his? Yes I do. This is a product of time spent with my spouse and deliberately trying to understand who she is. Of course, as any man knows, he will never figure his wife out in complete. However, as time goes forward, a man and a woman who exercise love toward one another and spend time with one another will steadily be growing together. Their knowledge will increase, their bond will increase, and if their path is walked with God, their joy for the future will abound.

The Bride of Christ need never fear about the faithfulness of their Groom. He loves at all times. He longs for us to embrace eternal life together. Yet, as in any marriage, we must spend time together so that we will draw closer to one another. Encouragement in scripture such as 2 Timothy 2:15, Acts 17:11, and 1 Thessalonians 5:17 call for us to discover who our Lord is and to communicate with Him. The Apostle Peter encouraged continual growth in knowing Christ to those who took His name (2 Peter 3:18). When we walk with Him, showing our love for Him (John 14:15) our relationship will bloom. In any marriage, the longer you discover one another, you know what pleases, comforts, and brings peace and happiness to your companion. Efforts such as this, applied over time, come from the inner man, allowing Christ and His Bride to be growing together.

Consider Psalm 119. Over and over David, a man after God's own heart, speaks of the blessedness of the words of God. He delights in His testimonies. He wants to know God's thoughts. He knows the presence of the Lord in his life makes him a better man. David cannot help, but praise God because of the relationship God extends to Him. He does not have to worry that God won't be there, that God might fail him, or that God cannot be trusted upon in times of trouble. This comes from seeking closeness and building a stronger relationship with God with each dawning day. This bond comes from not neglecting a relationship, but cultivating it. Would you consider simply not hearing your spouse's voice for days or weeks at a time? If you answered yes, by the way, it isn't because things are as God planned them is it? It is because you and/or your spouse have stepped away from God's plan, if only in a moment's display of poor behavior.

As previously stated, exercising love and spending time together is core to a happy relationship. When either point is neglected, the relationship will suffer. God will never be the contentious spouse. He will never fail to love you. He will never be unkind. He will never be unfaithful. So, when the relationship with God seems to be crumbling, you feel your faith waning, it isn't God, it is you. There is a solution, breathed from the mouth of God himself: "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you." If you desire God, seek him, and love Him, you will never be alone. You will experience the joy of togetherness eternally. That union will always grow and produce the fruit of joy.



Candy for Honduras

We are collecting candy for Ken and Gabriel to take to the kids in Honduras. Please bring individually wrapped candies (no chocolate please).

They will be travelling in the fall, so let's help them get stuff to share.



We invite you to stay for our Weekly Fellowship Lunch & Afternoon Devotional! We hope you'll stay and eat, fellowship and worship with us immediately following morning services.

For your calendar.....

Weekly Fellowship Luncheon	Sunday – 12:00 Noon
1 st Wednesday Singing	August 3 – 7:00 PM