

February Birthdays		February Anniversaries	
2	Samuel Addae		
5	Ken Davis		
8	Debbie Abrams		
9	Debbie Olguin		
14	Judeen Petersen		

February 26, 2023		
Greeters:	Larry Fulton	Ken Davis
Announcements:	Terry Reader	
Song Leader:	Terry Reader	
Opening Prayer:	Larry Fulton	
Closing Prayer:	Len Gates	
Lord’s Table:	Dan Greene	Terry Reader
	Stacey Moss	Joe Autry
Coordinator:	Kelly Beek	



When you visit us... February 19, 2023

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	

Mission Work Areas
Quito, Ecuador
Mazatlán, Mexico
Reitoca & San Carlos, Honduras

New Prayer Requests
Teclia Cunningham – suffering from pinched nerves in her back. She is seeing a chiropractor for treatment.
Ron Hansen – came home following his heart valve repair. He is feeling good. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
Craig Waugh – (Jill’s oldest son) – passed away. Please keep the Carricato family in your prayers.
Dave Nettles and Lauren Nettles-Broussard (daughter) – she needs a kidney and David will be giving her one of his. Still in a waiting mode. Please keep them both in your prayers
Presley Close (Megan Cavasos’ baby) – next appointment later in February.
Kendra Tate – has improved to the point she has moved back to her rented room and is working. However, she will still need time for her emotional strength and self-confidence to improve. Please continue to pray for her.
Jane Webb (Debbie Olguin’s life friend) – just diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

Long Term Prayer List	
Ron Hansen	Richard Pedrie
Ian Stewart	Greg Pyle
Gary Stewart	Beth Pedrie
Marilyn Bartlow	Norma Bartlow
Joan Lawrence	Melissa Wagle (cancer)
Dr. Dick Burton (Margo’s Brother)	Betty & Danny Sidebottom
Austin Petty (Zirkle’s Grandson - cancer)	Tom Hartman (friend of Jeff Richards) – Mt Bike accident and cancer
Dick McClain (friend of Readers) – lung cancer	Bill Phillips (Terry’s Brother-in-law) – prostate cancer treatment
Kendra Tate (Stanten’s niece) – recovering from accident at home	

Elders	
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Ian Stewart	(720) 878-2919
Terry Reader	(719) 427-7141
Deacons	
Stacey Moss	(719) 395-9294
Ken Davis	(719) 748-8654
Kelly Beek	(719) 342-5856
Larry Fulton	(719) 398-9987
Len Gates	(719) 207-0039

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Will You Be Remembered? Probably Not.

Greg Chandler

Death is a topic that modern man seeks to avoid. Millions of dollars are spent yearly by those who want to hide from the fact that this earthly body was designed to wear out and eventually return to the dust. No amount of make-up, hair dye, anti-aging cream, or the like will change this course. Far from running from the idea of death, the Lord expects man to learn from it: *“It is better to go to the house of mourning than to go to the house of feasting, for this is the end of all mankind, and the living will lay it to heart”* (Ecclesiastes 7:2). As every man and woman contemplates his or her own departure from the earth, it is important to remember two fundamental ideas: 1. Within a generation most are completely forgotten. 2. Though forgotten, the “footprint” one leaves behind can have an impact for years to come.

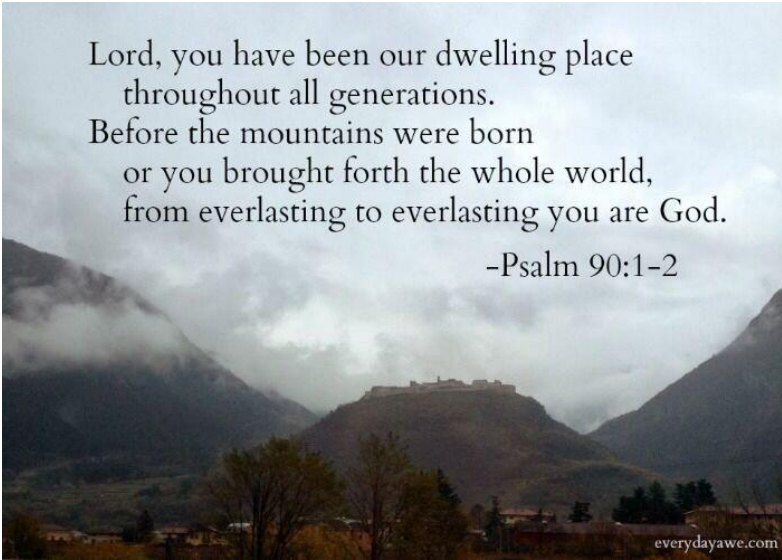
Many seek to use their time on this earth building. This may include building up wealth, reputation, business success, or the like. Often, this requires years of hard work to the detriment of family, friends, and, most importantly, the Lord. Though one’s life is poured into the building endeavor, within a short time the builder is forgotten. To prove this point, the reader should take an opportunity to drive through the town or city where he or she lives. Read the names painted on old buildings – buildings named for those who once owned them. Most likely the names that are read once belonged to the “movers and shakers” of the town – those who dedicated themselves to the success of establishing an operation that would provide financial benefit. Almost without exception, the reader will know none of the histories of the people whose names he or she reads.

The same can be said about the many men and women who gave themselves to the work of the Lord. Christians who spent their lives dedicated to the work of the Lord and helping their fellow man are also forgotten. Though their names may be housed in a faded church record on a dusty shelf, their lives have long since been forgotten. This is the message the Ecclesiastes writer wanted man to understand when he wrote, *“But all this I laid to heart, examining it all, how the righteous and the wise and their deeds are in the hand of God. Whether it is love or hate, man does not know; both are before him. It is the same for all, since the same event happens to the righteous and the wicked, to the good and the evil, to the clean and the unclean, to him who sacrifices and him who does not sacrifice. As the good one is, so is the sinner, and he who swears is as he who shuns an oath”* (Ecclesiastes 9:1-2).

The message thus far could be quite depressing and cause one to question the need to even try. It is here that point 2 should be remembered. While one’s name may not be recognized within a short time after death, the impact left behind can last for years. Consider the righteous mother and father who instill within their children a love

for God that is, in turn, taught to subsequent generations. Though these later generations may have no working knowledge of their ancestors, the footprint of godliness is still witnessed years later. Consider the older Christian who takes the time to mentor a young man or woman in the ways of godliness. This Christian may be forgotten within a generation, but the love and knowledge passed along may, in turn, be passed to others who are mentored by the young person who has grown old and wants to do for others what was done for him or her. Consider the one who takes the opportunity to share the gospel message with a neighbor who chooses to obey the Lord as a result. The memory of the one who shared the message may quickly pass, but what if that message is, in turn, passed on to others by the neighbor? Many may be saved because one person took the time to share the hope of salvation. The point of living is not to seek a name that will be remembered forever; it is to honor God and help as many others as possible to do the same.

The beauty of God’s plan is that, though this passing world may forget, He will not. To the Christians who made up the faithful church in ancient Philadelphia, Jesus promised that each could be a “pillar in the temple of My God” (Revelation 3:12). These Christians had witnessed pillars built in homage to the movers and shakers of their day, only to watch them fall due to natural disaster or age. Jesus promised that this would never happen to the faithful’s pillar standing in Heaven. Every man and woman must use the years on this earth to become the pillar that can never be shaken. While names will not be remembered, the Lord will never forget the good that is done in service to Him.



2 Timothy 3:16-17

16 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

Marilyn Bartlow

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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
Game Night	Coming in February
1 st Wednesday Singing	March 1 – 7:00 PM