

<u>May Birthdays</u>		<u>May Anniversaries</u>	
2	Mia Davis	17	Marilyn & Wayne Bartlow
6	Lincoln Gates	22	Colleen & Stanten Sikes
10	Joan Lawrence		
11	Margie Miller		
16	Terry Reader		
28	Chad Cavasos		
31	Linda Stewart		

**Mission Work Areas**

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

**New Prayer Requests**

Gwynn Bulmer – has received a good report. Following testing – bone scan, CT Scan, etc., her cancer has not spread. Thank you for the prayers and please continue to remember her and Scott in your prayers.

Leslie Maritz (brother of Pam Brower) – massive heart attack with three blocked arteries. Stint in one but not strong enough for other two. Please keep him and the family in prayers. He lives in Prescott, AZ.

Marian Like – continues to improve. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

Ian & Linda Stewart family – still struggling with issues with Gary.

**Covid-19 List**

Jamie Buettner (Sybil's daughter) – at home improving slowly. Please continue to keep her in your prayers.

**Long Term Prayer List**

Ron Hansen	Richard Pedrie
Obi Obias (Colleen's bother-in-law)	Eunice Nettles (Dave's Mother)
Ian Stewart	Lauren Stewart
Gary Stewart	Beth Pedrie
Wayne & Marilyn Bartlow	Norma Bartlow
Greg Pyle	Jan Paddock
Marilyn Strickland	Dwayne Reader (leukemia)
David Murphy (Colleen's brother)	Joan Lawrence
Gwynn Bulmer – cancer is back	Christy Reader & kids – Penelope & Preston – still some custody issues

<u>May 9, 2021</u>		
Greeters:	Larry Fulton	Ken Davis
Announcements:	Ian Stewart	
Song Leader:	Dan Greene	
Opening Prayer:	Len Gates	
Closing Prayer:	Terry Reader	
Lord's Table:	Dan Greene	Larry Fulton
	Kelly Beek	Terry Bartlow
Coordinator:	Len Gates	

**Elders**

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Larry Fulton (719) 398-9987



**When you visit us...**

May 2, 2021

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 am ....Bible Class

11:00 am.....Assembly

Noon.....Fellowship Meal

1:30 pm.....Devotional

**Wednesday**

7:00 pm.....Devotional

or Bible Class

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## In God We Trust

This motto was adopted by the fathers of our country in the days when we were a weak and struggling nation. The fathers felt the absolute necessity of trusting in a higher power for the making and preservation of the nation. But with the increase of wealth, prestige, and power there has been a corresponding decrease in the consciousness of the need of God. We trust in our national wealth, our great army and navy, our fame, our intellectuals and God is too often left out of the picture.

Once the “most religious and God-fearing nation on earth,” now the true God and the Bible are legislated out of public life. A preacher in Virginia applied for a personalized license plate for his car. He wanted to put a Bible reference on it and was rejected. Biblical principles are no longer considered worth teaching our children in public schools. Even posting the “Ten Commandments” in court houses and public school classrooms has become a debatable proposition.



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*“And when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold multiply, and all that you have multiplies; Otherwise, you may say in your heart, 'My power and the strength of my hand made me this wealth.' "But you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, that He may confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.” (Deut 8:13, 17-18:).*

We should do more than take notice of the godless direction our nation is taking. We should talk about this matter to every person with any influence at all in governmental affairs. Unless and until “In God We Trust,” is more than an ancient motto, like the children of Israel of old, our nation will continue a downward spiral. Godlessness has shown us what happens when we don't trust God. None can honestly say that the defection from “In God We Trust,” has made our nation any better — it just the opposite!

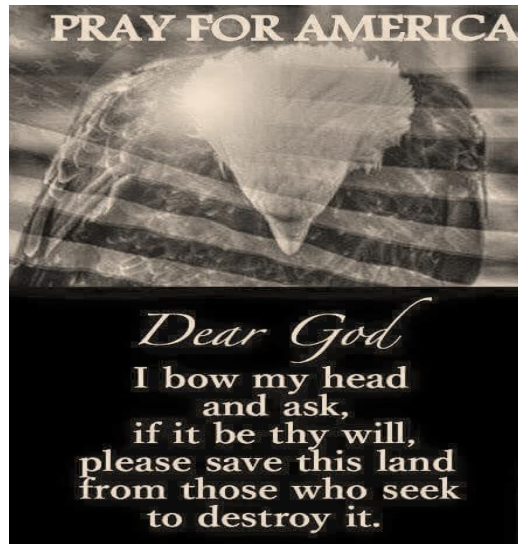
## A Few Words...

In today's world of politics, we see our politicians tell us that they are a religious person, or they attend Church 'X' or how they hold “true Christian values” and how we should follow them. However, what we often “see” in their actions is something different. Their actions show that they will do whatever pleases the particular group they are speaking to rather than standing firm in the will of God

If we look at Biblical history, we see that we are not the first generation or civilization to behave this way. We can see that throughout time, man that is blessed by God eventually seems to forget where the blessings come from and begin to trust in themselves more than in Him.

Whether it's during the times of Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah or others prophets, we see the same warnings over and over again. “Turn back to me and I will bless you, my people.” Why don't we learn from the mistakes of the past? It is because we are so wise or is it because we choose to have short memories? Whatever the cause, the result has always been the same. God's people have gone through a time of struggle and during that time, they seem to begin to remember the words of the one True God and return to Him.

Thank God for the remnant that helped them to remember. It is good there is always someone to help them to return to Him and His ways. And praise be to God that He will extend His mercy to those that forsake Him. ~Terry



## COVID 19 – Accommodations

**Church Services – Resume Services as listed on January 24.**

**Sundays – 10:00AM Bible Study  
- 11:00 AM Worship  
Wednesdays – 7:00 PM Bible Study**

### \*\*\* Bible Study Classes \*\*\*

At this time **ALL** classes (including children) will be held in the auditorium in order to facilitate the social distancing expectations of our government officials.

As we continue to work through these times, please be sure you are following the government guidelines. You must wear a mask while entering and moving around the building. We will also be asking people to ensure distancing from others, which means we will need to spread out around the auditorium (by families). We will continue to handle our communion and offering as we have throughout these trying times – no passing trays and cups placed in plastic bags after use to be gathered and disposed of afterwards.

*Our first desire and priority is to ensure that we are doing all we can to keep everyone **safe and healthy**.*

*Again, we are so happy that we are able to join together again in our assembly of worship as God desires – Hebrews 10:25.*

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### \*\*\* Colorado Executive Order \*\*\*

*(Updated March 11, 2021)*

*The governor's executive order requires that masks be worn in all indoor public places. As an executive order, this is required by law.*

*We are required to wear our masks while entering or moving around inside of the building. Once seated and socially distanced, the mask can be removed if you desire.*

*This applies to anyone 11 years of age or older.*

*There are exceptions for people that have a medical condition that will not allow them to tolerate a mask.*

*Those officiating the services will not be required to wear a mask while leading their portion of the service.*

<https://covid19.colorado.gov/worship-guidance>

<https://covid19.colorado.gov/mask-guidance>