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# **Elders**

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how glad we are to have you here with us to worship our Lord and savior Jesus Christ and invite you back the next time you are able. If you are visiting us, you are our special guest and would ask if you would remain after services so we might get the chance of meeting you in person and welcoming you here.

I want to thank all of those who attended and help participate in our Art of

Marriage seminar this past weekend we had a great turnout that even included some visitors and guests. This is a great tool and resource that we

have and can help those who were maybe unable to attend to take home or

set up to view in your own home, invite others to come over and you play

host maybe pick one night a week to host for example and replace it with a

hour of regular TV watching. I invite you to ask any of those who have

We want to welcome each one of you to our services today and tell you

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## attended what they thought about it. If you are interested in learning more about this resource or others we have please contact the office we would love to help in this. Again thank you to the eldership for this opportunity. Recently in class and in some lessons we have been learning what it means

to "Trust in God". Its a easy saving but more challenging to live out especially when "life" happens. But we keep finding more ways we can put our full trust in God. That is what He is trying to show us. Today I want to look at the before and after picture of one disciple that has shown us both. Today we will look at Peter before who lacked in his trust to finally the Peter who gained full trust. How did he do it? What got him to change. Lets look at what Peter was able to do that will help us with our walk with Him today.

## **Worship And Study Opportunities**

**Sunday:** Bible School......9:30 A.M Worship......10:30 A.M

Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class......10:30 A.M. Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Eric Sharun
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Weldon Flanagar
RECORDS OF THE WEEK
Bible School: 5   Morning Worship: 9   Evening Worship: 3   Mid-Week: 4   Ladies Class: 2   Contribution: \$4,560.00   Weekly Budget: \$4,084.00
THOSE WHO SERVE:
Sunday Morning:
Opening Prayer:
Scripture: Eric Sharun
Sunday Evening:
Opening Prayer: James Brennan Closing Prayer: Klaus Mueller
Wednesday Evening:
Opening Prayer: Leroy Horn Closing Prayer: Perry Warren
If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to ou
web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

### PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOW-

**ING:** Janna Barrington had knee surgery today, Wednesday, in Duncan. Kenneth Gregory fell on Sunday. Roy Bennett is still having a lot of pain after his fall. Sue Peddy had to reschedule her hip surgery.

THANK YOU NOTE: Dear Brothers & Sisters, My family cannot thank all of you enough for all of the heartfelt prayers for us during our pregnancy. We are so happy to welcome Blakely to our family. I know she is an answer to all of our prayers. We love you all. Love, Chris, Nicole, Colson & Blakely.

**THANK YOU NOTE:** I want to thank the ones who called and sent a card after my surgery. Pat Doughty

THE LUNCHEON FOR MARCH has been changed to Sunday, March 22nd. so we can say our goodbyes to Steve, Sherrie and Mason Morris who are moving to Canada. We hate to lose them but we wish them all the best.

**NOTE:** We are updating the directory. If you need to make a change in your address, telephone number, cell phone number or your e-mail please call the office.

## **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 3 David Byrd
- 5 Bryan Cain
- 6 Pat Horn
- 7 Kenny Richardson
- 12 Barbara Bolton
- 13 Travis Repp
- 21 Debbie Bowden22 Cleo Harper
- 23 Klaus Mueller
- 23 Todd Stoner
- 25 Wyatt Stoner
- 28 Roy Bennett

<u>THE WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME:</u> The grocery list from Westview. They will be picking up the groceries the week of **April 13th**.

## **Shopping List:**

Coffee

Cookies

Kool-Aid

Pop Tarts

100% Juice

Asparagus

Flour Tortillas

Beef Jerky

Slim Jims

Picante

Spaghetti Sauce

Bottled/Powdered Gatorade

**Bottled Water** 

Canned Soda

Mandarin Oranges

Tropical Fruit

Pineapple Chunks

#### Non-Food:

Fabuloso

AA Batteries

39-Gallon Trash Bags

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, J.L. & Claudine Bolton, Joslyn Burch, Kathy Cain, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Karla McLaury, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Travis Repp, Marie Sexton, Velma Shook, Lesley Wirt, Dwaine Zacharias, Randy Hill, Nathan McBride, Kim Warren, Eric's sister Nikki & uncle Al.

THE WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS has dismissed until September.

<u>LADIES DAY</u> - Rose Hill Church of Christ - April 18, 2015 - Theme: Matters Of The Heart - RSVP by March 30, 2015

#### In Case You Missed It

But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification (Romans 6:17-19, esv).

When we hear the word slave we often conjure something as a harsh treatment of a individual or a embarrassment in US History but being a slave also means that we are not in control we are under someone else or something else's control. If you do whatever your boss says, without hesitation or question, then vou are vour boss's slave. It is not just employment as Paul addresses here if you do whatever your sinful nature says, without resisting or discerning the wisdom in that choice, you are a slave to your sinful nature. It happens to all of us but through grace we are to be for Christ what Paul calls "slaves of righteousness," but too often we're enslaved to a particular sin. We can be a slave to Stuff. If you're a slave to material things, you find yourself thinking, more money, newer car, nicer clothes, bigger house, more, more, more. We have become a slave to stuff. It can be **Substances**. Some seem to be powerless against substances: alcohol, tobacco, legal and illegal drugs, caffeine, sugar, sex and the inability to say no, they have become slaves to them. It can be **someone**. Sometimes people are controlled by and addicted to ones approval of a particular person. Willing to do whatever is required by another, we have entered yet another form of slavery to sin. Though Christianity is often wrongly viewed as a restriction on freedom where God's rules are seen as bondage but the reality is that everyone is a slave to someone or something. And we only have a couple of choices: we can be "slaves of sin" (Romans 6:17), yielding to whatever our sin natures demand, or "slaves of righteousness" (Romans 6:18), with the single focus of doing the will of our Master. Whose slave are you? Here's how you can tell whether you're a slave to righteousness: You are acutely aware of personal unrighteousness. When you sin, you feel conviction. Your heart grieves and you regret breaking God's standard. When you set your eyes on something inappropriate, say cruel things, make a wrong choice, etc., you feel specific and acute conviction. You can't ignore your sin and have to make it right When the Holy Spirit convicts you of a specific sin, you quickly ask God to forgive you, and say to those you have offended or injured: "I've sinned against you, I have no excuse, and I'm truly sorry. Please forgive me. "You want to please Jesus. Can you honestly say you think of the Lord frequently—not every moment, but many times every day? Would He be pleased? Is this what He wants me to do? So whose slave are you? Do you fit more of the description of bondage to sin enslaved? Or are you increasingly, through faith in Jesus, a slave to righteousness?