

CHASE PARK MESSENGER

The Joy of Service

A recent study revealed that people who are actively involved in helping others, whether through some humanitarian or benevolent organization or on an individual basis, were happier than those who had no such involvement. The study further indicated that these people who devoted time and effort to helping others lived longer than other people. Once again, scientists have proven what those who read and believe the Bible have always known—that there are great blessings to be found in serving others. In fact, so important is service that God actually designed and created us to desire to and to benefit from doing good for others. He then gave us the Biblical mandate to serve (Gal. 5:13; 6:9-10) and the supreme example of Jesus as a humble servant (Phil. 2:5-8; John 13:3-17). What greater proof can there be of the great importance of service in the mind of God?

As we live our lives as Christians, we need to be ever mindful of the importance of service. To serve the Lord and others is to follow the example of Jesus and to fulfill the will of God. God never intended for Christianity to be just a label that we wear but rather a life that we live. It is to be a life filled with faith, love, humility, and service to God and man. It is to be a life that illuminates Christ and glorifies God. Yes, as children of God, we have a purpose—to bring glory to Him as we strive to teach, work, and serve on our way to heaven. The world might frown on the idea of being a servant, but God smiles upon His children who humbly and joyfully take on that role. What about you? Are you a servant? May we all strive to use our lives as instruments of service to the glory of God!

Rusty

Welcome, Guests

We are honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Our time of worship together on the Lord's Day is one of the highlights of each week and we are thrilled to be able to share this special time with you.

As we worship, our desire is to do so according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to God. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guests. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please feel free to ask. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.



Ministers

Rusty Hills Pulpit
Pat Cowden Evangelism
Ben Stanley Youth

Elders

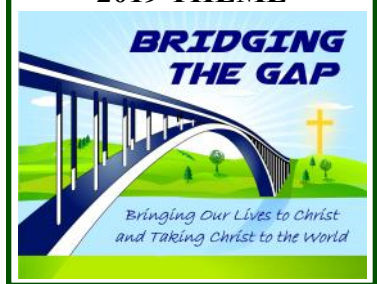
Curtis Hill Dennis Lawson
Sam Kachelman Greg Parker
Barry Todd

Missionaries

Jaime Mendoza Chalco, Mexico
Liborio Encarnacion. Ecatepec, Mexico
Slava Savkovsky Ukraine
Barton Kizer North Carolina
Dewayne Tapscott Southwest

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2019 THEME



Youth News

Children's Ministry (Little Lights-6th Grade)

May 26 CM Devo
Jun 2-4 VBS!!!

Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)

Every Wednesday Hang Time
(5:30)
Every Monday M4 (7:00)
May 19 Senior Reception
May 24 Youth Lock-in

Lads to Leaders

*Thank you to everyone who
helped to make this year's
program and convention a great
success!*

*Coming Soon:
L2L 2020
Theme: LOST!*

*Stay tuned for more details on these events or see
Joel Heady, Wes McDonald, or Stephen Trammell for more information.*

Outreach—Pat Cowden

As of last night, Lord willing, we will have had our 10th Open Home Ministry meeting while closing in on almost 200 people participating so far. We are grateful to Brandon and Erica Karraker for hosting the fellowship last night. Please continue to support the OHM with your prayers, your attendance, and your efforts to reach out to those you come in contact with and invite them to attend an OHM meeting.

The Apostle Paul closes out the book of 1st Corinthians with an interesting statement. We understand that the church in Corinth was saturated with problems associated with worldliness and the culture infiltrating the local congregation. Paul wrote the letter to help correct those problems and ended his thoughts this way-

“If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.” (1 Cor. 16:22-24)

Working backwards in this passage we see that Paul wanted the Corinthian Christians to remember:

1. Paul loved them in the Lord.
2. He petitioned for the grace of our Lord to be with them.
3. He called upon God to curse those who do not love the Lord Jesus Christ.

It is this desire that Paul had that God curse those who do not love the Lord that drew my attention. Surely Paul, the great evangelist and apologist, could not be talking about those outside of Christ with such fervor. After all, he wanted them to be saved (Romans 10:1-3). So, to whom was he talking and what did he mean?

He was talking to those in Corinth, in the church, who were proving they did not love the Lord by the trouble they were causing, the sin they were celebrating, and the lack of faithfulness of some in the church. He, like the Lord, would just as soon they were hot or cold for the Lord (Revelation 3:16). But they were neither, hiding behind a charade of pseudo-faithfulness. His desire for them (and us) is to be on fire for God and I pray it is so.

Remember, I love you in the Lord and want to go to heaven with you.

Pat



News Of Interest

Pantry Item: Infant cereal

Sick

Diversicare of Big Springs

Juanez Tanner

Regency Healthcare & Rehab

John Fults

Home: Greg Emerson, Joe Parker, Pam Almo

Sympathy

We express sympathy to **Gabie Luna** and **Debbie Christopher** in the death of their daughter and sister, Penny Faulkner. Also, keep in prayer Dennis Faulkner (former member) and family.

New Baby: We congratulate **Justin and Caroline Black** on the birth of their daughter, Julianne Emory, born May 14. She was 6 lbs., 13 ozs., 19.5 inches long.

May 27-Monday Night for the Master-Cancelled

Will resume on Monday, June 24, 6:30—8:00 p.m.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day.

Ladies' Bible Class

Tuesday, May 28, 10:00 a.m., elder's conference room.

Ladies' Night Out

Tuesday, May 28, 6:30 p.m., at Terranovas'. Sign-up sheet at Hospitality Desk.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Sunday—Tuesday, June 2—4, 6:00—7:30 p.m., ages 4 to 6th grade. Sign-up sheets for volunteers and t-shirts are on the Hospitality Desk.

Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

Regency Retirement Service

Today, 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Steve Watson**

Song Leader: **Jared Olbricht**

Family Care Group Meetings

Groups **F & G** and **I & J** will meet today for potluck lunch.

Group **C** will meet at Golden Corral Saturday, May 25, 9:00 a.m. for breakfast.

Groups **B, E, A, D,** and **H** will meet on Sunday, June 2 for potluck lunch.

Hospital Visitation

Team (3) **Suddarth** please pick up your assignments today after p.m. service.

Balance Class

Tuesday, Thursday, May 21, 23, 1:30 p.m.

Super Seniors

Wednesday, May 22, 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 29, 10:00 a.m., go out to eat.

Worship Participants



June Birthdays



SUNDAY AM MAY 26	
READING	Ben Blankenship
F PRAYER.....	Mark Lambrecht
LS PRAYER.....	Ben Boggess
C PRAYER.....	Jamie Clark

SUNDAY PM MAY 26	
READING	John Johnston
F PRAYER.....	Mike Crawford
C PRAYER.....	Wayne Pinchon

1 –Toney Atchley	19-Sharon Dugan
4 –Jean Hindman	21-Iva Mitchell
5 –Pat Brown	Melissa Wilhoite
6 –Carolyn Trammell	23-Waldean Dugan
7 –Bob Layne	24-Payton Corder
Fred Davis	27-Judy Upton
Pat Cowden	28-Andrea Hills
10-Kylie Ivey	29-John Denney
13-Aleya Maples	Stephen Trammell
14-Jean Denney	30-Gary Webster
Eden MacLean	Elizabeth Green
Kirsten Gothart	
16-John Powell	
Anna Sims	
Kristi Harmon	
Cody Gothart	
Laura Breeden	



Congratulations Class of 2019!

*Abby Rosenblum
Shelby Sliz
Dylan Suddarth
Cari Beth Walker*

*We love you and
are proud of you!*



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Statistics

Sunday, May 12, 2019

AM Worship	393
Month Average	381
Bible Class	286
PM Worship	239
Wed., May 15 Bible Classes	265
Regency Ret. Worship	39
Offering	\$17,689.35
Budget	\$19,000
Average '19	\$19,535
Over Budget for year	+\$10,167
Building Fund	\$110.00

Services

Sunday

Worship	9:00 a.m.
Bible Class	10:15 a.m.
Worship	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Super Seniors	10:00 a.m.
Bible Class	6:30 p.m.

Web Site Home Bible Studies

<https://www.epcofc.org/home-bible-studies>

(Lesson 1 Link)

The Bible—God's Holy Word