



The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SOUTH YUKON

Foundations for Kingdom Explosion

Where do we begin? If we are going to do personal work like Jesus, if we are going to start telling people the good news, where do we start. Peter and Jesus offer a good idea. Start at home.

“When Jesus came into Peter’s house, he saw Peter’s mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him” (Matt 8:14-15).

You’ve heard me say that our homes are to be evangelistic centers. Let’s call our homes Foundations for Kingdom Explosion! If you and I were to use our homes as the entry points for people to whom we want to give the gift of the gospel, we would have no trouble knowing where to start.

First, as I challenged you a few weeks ago, put your home back in its place as the primary location for discipling your children. Let the church help, certainly, but the church’s role is secondary. Teach your children the good news in your own home.

Next, whoever is in your home on any kind of consistent basis is a great person with whom to begin revealing the gift of Jesus. Teenagers, you’ve got friends who play video games in front of your TV, swim in your pool, jump on your trampoline, crash on your couch, and drink your Dr. Peppers from your refrigerator. Let them open your gift from your hand. You received the gift of eternal life – regift it! Your friends will receive it better in your home!

The people in your home may be your relatives who live close enough to come over regularly. They may be your friends who you invite over for dessert and Bible Study – just the few of you. They may be people you met at church for the first time on a Sunday morning that you invited to your home for a small group study on Sunday night. They may be

your golfing buddies or fellow card fanatics. Whoever they are, open your home and open your mouth about Jesus.

Make your home your Foundation for Kingdom Explosion. Jesus healed Peter’s mother-in-law without anyone asking. She immediately got up and served him. People appreciate it when you care about them enough to help them – it can mean more if you’ll offer before they even ask!

We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.
~Winston Churchill



Calendar

Sunday
VBS Worknight
Youth Group Promo Night

Monday
Men’s Bible Study
Area Wide - Chandler
Elder’s Meeting

Wednesday
Summer Series:
“Cross-Fire”-Kent Risley

Thursday
Foster Parents Meeting
Mommy and Me - at the Park

Constructing Christian Couples



Quartz Mountain Resort
September 21-23, 2007
\$200/Couple
Sign Up: July 29, 2007

Workshop
Workshop



If you would like to provide a scholarship for the retreat or if you have a donation you would like to make like gift collections or gift cards, please see Richard or JeannaLynn.

Prayer Requests

Caryn Leaman suffered neck injuries in a car accident last Sunday. She is recuperating at home.

Kathy Grant has been diagnosed with a malignant melanoma and will have surgery July 11th. Her tests were good, the cancer has not spread. (Andy Langham's sister)

Arthur Anthony, brother of Evelyn Hughes will begin chemo again this week.

Carol Marcum has been diagnosed with Lymphoma in her right eye. She will begin chemo this week followed by radiation.

Lloyd Unsell has cancer and has started chemo. His wife Estalene is now in a nursing home. (prison minister that Betty Fleharty works with)

Dorine Watson's daughter, **Juanita** is in Deaconess Hospital. She had to have more of her leg removed because there has been a problem with healing.

Melanie Welch is expecting triplets but is experiencing difficulties with the pregnancy. She has been in Seattle undergoing testing. Some good news: The smaller twin is now some improved, the babies are thriving and Melanie was expected to arrive home on Saturday.

Daniel Branson, a friend of Nichole Langham, was killed in a car wreck in Georgia as he and friends traveled home from a church camp. Three others from the camp died in the wreck, too. Please pray for Daniel's family and friends.

Please continue to pray for: **David Arrington** (Judy Scroggins' friend's father~blood disease), **Juanita Bennett** (Dorine Watson's daughter~amputated leg), **Emily McCoy** (Dorine Watson's daughter - infection), **Willadean Blehm** (Lloyd Stephens' sister), **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Virginia Cox** (Terrie Wooldridge's mother), **Bobbie Day** (Nina Moate's sister), **Wanelda Folks**, **David Goff** (b-i-l of Perry's~stroke), **Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net), **Silvon Kinter** (Mark's father~stroke), **Liz Knight**, **Gerald Logsdon** (Gran Gran's #33), **Jake McCathern** (Stump's grandson~heart defect), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Bonnie Montgomery** (James' mother~stroke), **Donna Nance** (friend of the Wooldridge's~nerve disease), **Roy Nusbaum**, **Mike Ritchie**, **Sandra Schoolcraft**, **Donna Sterling**, **Terry Turner** (Angie Meadows' father~had a liver transplant), **Mel & Debbie Warden**, **Cecil and Pansy Wilson**, **Obed Wooldridge** (Tom's dad~had a stroke).

Cancer: **Arthur Anthony** (brother of Evelyn Hughes), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Chan Duel** (Micha Hughes' grandfather), **Larry Duff** (b-i-l of Patty Clements), **Donna Fitzgerald**, **Larry Fiscus** (friend of the Killian's), **Kathy Grant** (Andy Lanaghan's sister), **Stefanie Grantello**, **Tony Hall** (Bruce & Betty's son), **Norman High** (Cathy Montgomery's dad), **Dean Hill**, **Bea Johnson**, **Jim Linam**, **Joy Lindsey** (Sarah Kennett's s-i-l), **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Vonda McPherson** (Norma Heldreth's cousin), **Dan Reiter** (David's dad), **Tommy Schultz** (b-i-l of Alan and Linda Bratcher), **Earline Shriver** (Gary's mom), **Shelly Vang** (Laura Ethridge's daughter, 1208 Kings Way, Yukon, 350-7354).

Our Shut-ins: **Marie Cox**, **Loree Sturgess**, **Neta Swinney**, **Audrey Gray**, **Don and Veda Morris**, **Buck Buchanan** (a former elder at Memorial Road, is at Gran Gran's room 5. Would appreciate men coming and reading scripture and praying with him).

On Hospice Care: **Donna Fitzgerald**, **Don Morris**, **Tom Heldreth**, **John Heimke** (Irby's s-i-l~cancer),

Expectant Mothers: **Becky Schrock**, **Sandi Doyel**, **April Everhart**, **Brenda Thompson**, **Lana Wooldridge**, **Melanie Welch** (triplets).

Activated Military Personnel: **Josh Sisson**, (nephew of Emma Logsdon), **Mick Dustin**



We love *One Marriage Under God* because of the call to be "marriage keepers!" God created relationships and then commanded, "Carry each other's burdens" (Gal 6:1). Yet, for many of us, someone else's marriage is none of our business. We are more content to critique from afar. Maybe it makes us feel better to observe the speck in our brother's marriage so that we can ignore our plank. Maybe we are struggling with giving what we don't have.

We received word this week that a wife for whom we care deeply passed away after a long struggle with cancer. She was 48 years old. Through their marriage, she and her husband have been a shining example of spiritual intimacy, real marriage keepers. We last heard them one month to the day after the death of their middle son who was killed in a hunting accident. They addressed the need for authentic, intimate relationships. Carrie Oliver stood arm-in-arm with her husband Gary while they shared their sorrow. They had come from Arkansas to North Carolina to offer hope in the midst of their pain. They stood before us wounded, yet so strong because of their hope in God. They spoke of the strength they received from a passage in their bible reading the day after their son's death. Now, that is daily Bible reading!

The Oliver Family began their battle with cancer years ago. Gary survived only for Carrie to be diagnosed a year later. Of course, they do not see Carrie's passing as defeat. We received this email from a spokesman for the family: "On Monday afternoon, July 2, after a gallant fight for life, Carrie Oliver went into the presence of her precious Lord at home, with no pain, surrounded by her family." Their spiritual connection all the way to Carrie's passing has been an example for us! What would people say about your marriage if one of you should pass from this life this week or next year? Are we living lives that have the aroma of godliness that attracts others? Does your marriage radiate spiritual intimacy? It can! "With God all things are possible" (Matt 19:26).

Richard and Jeanna Lynn



The Holy Spirit is my favorite personality of God (if I'm allowed to play favorites). He's

the most mysterious, least known or understood part of God. My favorite part about it though is that the Holy Spirit lives inside of us. God lives *in* us. God is amazing – he created the universe (and probably a lot more for all we know), decided to become like us, His own creation, and live with us as Jesus, and now lives in us as the Holy Spirit. That's pretty special because even Jesus said it was good for Him to leave so that the Holy Spirit could come in His place (John 16). The Spirit lives in us and helps us in many different ways. He is a teacher (John 14.26), comforter (John 14.16-17), prays for us (Romans 8.26), gives us spiritual gifts (I Cor. 12.7-11), and lives in us (I Cor. 6.19). But the Spirit is not entirely invisible. As he lives in us, we show special characteristics. You may know them as the "Fruits of the Spirit" (Galatians 5.22). Picture yourself as a can of shaving cream (stay with me on this one). When you press the top, the shaving cream comes out and expands.

Much more flows out of the can than what the can looks like it can hold. When the Spirit flows out of us through love, joy, peace, patience..., it expands, overflowing into other people's lives. The Holy Spirit is truly amazing and when we come into contact with Jesus through baptism, just like He said in John 16, He sends the Holy Spirit to live in us and help us. It doesn't get much better than that. Next time you show kindness or patience to someone, or you read your bible and notice something new, know that it is the Holy Spirit working in you.

You stay classy South Yukon

Josh

Announcements

Today is promotion Sunday. See Gene Newberry or Kim Reiter for special details

Monday – Area Wide in Chandler. Make sure you've signed up to go. **Hamburgers will be served!**



WHOSE ADVICE DO YOU SEEK?

Years ago, the then famous actress, Billie Burke was traveling on an ocean liner when she noticed that a gentleman at the next table was suffering from a bad head cold. She asked him, "Are you uncomfortable?" The man nodded.

She said, "I'll tell you just what to do about it. Go back to your room and drink lots of orange juice. Take two aspirins. Cover yourself with all the blankets you can find. Sweat the cold out. I know just what I'm talking about. I'm Billie Burke from Hollywood."

The man smiled and said, "Thanks." Then he added, "By the way, I'm Dr. Mayo from the Mayo Clinic."

When it comes to medical matters, would you prefer to take the advice of an esteemed doctor or that of a famous actress? Likewise, when it comes to spiritual matters, would you look to celebrities; to those we regard as "wise"; to the stars (astrology); to the angels; or Jesus Christ? It shouldn't be a difficult choice.

Jesus Christ is superior in every way. He is God. He creates, sustains, governs, redeems and cleanses us of sin. He is omniscient, omnipotent, unchanging and eternal. Why would we look anywhere else?

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.'" (John 14:6)

Keep The Light Burning!
Perry Greene

Ministry Spotlight

Deacons – Tom Rackley and Garry Harrison

Elder – Ken Davidson

Don't you enjoy coming to Bible Class and Worship, being warm in the winter and cool in the summer? Don't you enjoy having a clean, attractive facility to use as a base for Ministry? Many hours go into the upkeep of our facilities.

The Building and Grounds Ministry ensures the cleanliness of the building for each service (Thanks, Travis!). They keep the building and equipment in "like new" condition both inside and out. They make sure the landscaping is well-groomed all year, as well as the maintenance of the parking lot.

Their mission is not an end in itself. It is to give us a facility that will serve as a base for all of our Ministries. It is a special luxury that we may easily take for granted.

—Perry Greene

ATTENTION!

All Involvement Forms Must be turned in! If you have not yet filled one out, please do so **ASAP!** See Lynn Groves or Perry Greene for details.



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Al & Donna Horne

New Zealand

Leon & Jennifer O'Flynn

Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

Germany

Clint & April Everhart

Ecuador

Julio Perez, Marco Poma and Luis
Andrango

Statistics

Attendance

Bible Classes: 367
A.M. Worship: 532
P.M. Worship: 257
Wednesday: NC
Daily Bible Readers: 65
Present Membership: 611

Contribution

Last Week: \$12,832
Budget Requires: \$15,000

Family Matters



Thank You

Dear Church Family:

Thank you all very much for the prayers, visits, and calls in regards to the birth of Makenna. The food was especially delicious and very much appreciated. Thank you also for the plant. We feel so blessed to have such a great church family. Thanks again for everything! Mike, Sara, Lane, and Makenna Clark

Thanks so much to those of you who helped staff the Outreach Booth at the park on July 4th. Your efforts help sow the seed of the gospel! Rick Marcotte

Thank you to all who organized and helped with the fellowship festivities on the 4th of July. A good time was had by all!

Ladies

The food committee is currently updating the food lists. After our congregational survey, we are going to be adding several new people to our lists. If you are currently serving on a food list, and wish to have your name removed please call Eugenia at 350-8592 **Today** and let her know. If you are satisfied, then your name will remain on the same list. Thank you for your cooperation.

LTC Service Project

Any 7th-12th grade girls who would like to participate in a cake decorating service project, please sign up on the teen bulletin board **Today**. We will be meeting in the fellowship hall on July 10th at 10:00 am.

World Bible School

Intro Lessons sent: 1066
Other Lessons sent: 886
Baptisms to date: 48

Outstanding Work!

Pantry Items Needed

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers, Dry Milk, 1-lb Velveeta Cheese, Cheese Whiz, Hamburger, Tuna and Chicken Helper and Cereal.

VBS

“May the Spirit Be With You”

Monday, July 23rd - Thursday 26th

VBS will use Star Wars costumes this year and the theme will be “May The Spirit Be With You”. If you have a costume for the following, please contact Rick Marcotte at 373-3170 as soon as possible. Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia, Han Solo, Chewbacca, Yoda, Queen Amidala, and C3PO. **Items Needed for VBS:** Extra-Large cardboard boxes (refridgerator, freezer, etc.) **STARS! STARS! STARS!** If you would be able to help make stars for VBS, please stop by the workroom. Thank you!

Notice - there will be a VBS worknight following evening services this evening. Please bring 2.00 per person and place your order in the fellowship hall immediately following service.

FAMILY NEWS

Our hearts rejoice in the baptism of Marc Hartman, the son of Tim and Audra and Allen Peralez, the son of Vickie Hale. They were both baptized on Tuesday at Black Mesa Bible Camp. Welcome to God's family!

Sympathy

Our sympathy to Lorie Mulkey and family on the passing of her father, Hershel Heath. Services are 10:00 a.m. Monday at Resthaven Gardens, 500 SW 104th, Oklahoma City.

Our sympathy to Neta Swinney and family on the passing of Gene. His services are here at South Yukon on Monday at 200.p.m.

New Address:

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