



## Thank You for Salvation

He knew he deserved to be punished more; that was not in question. But, the ongoing consequence of his sin was too great of a burden to bear. After all, millions have cried through the centuries, "For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?" (Revelation 6:17) I don't know what the Psalmist did *this* time, but he knew; and he knew that he deserved whatever God dealt out.

God didn't continue the discipline, though. He loved David too much to let him continue in pain – even pain that he deserved. He rescued the sinner. He forgave him. He removed the burden. So, David wrote, "I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done. The LORD has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter. *I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.* (Psalm 118:17-21)

We all deserve to be punished more. I wonder sometimes if the low level of our gratitude reflects a lack of appreciation for what we actually deserve to receive because of our sins. Do we really get that "the wages of sin is death"? (Romans 6:23) If God were to send us all to hell, he would be justified; but he would not be satisfied because he doesn't want any of us to perish (2 Peter 3:9).

So he saved us! The plan was enormous: It took thousands of years to complete. The cost was high: The precious blood of his son. He loved us, he loved you, so much that he could not bear to see us go on and go out in our sin. No cost was too high.

If you are Christ's, you are not going to die because of your sin! He has disciplined you, no doubt. Every loving father disciplines his children. God has opened for you the gates of righteousness. He has become your salvation instead of your condemnation! And what is our response?

Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God! Thank you, God!

# The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST  
SOUTH YUKON

What does your heart express in response to your salvation? Do your words to God say "Thank you." Do your words about God to others express gratitude? How can you live today that says, "You have become my salvation; and I will thank you"?

That's Life at Work! *Richard*

## Baptized



**Brittany Bonny**  
1104 Camelot Drive  
354-0860



**Roy and Linds Roberts**  
(Linds was baptized)  
**Ashtyn, Colten, Jordan**  
513 Out West Trail  
812-6872

## Attention All First Time Guests!

We have a gift for you this morning to thank you for worshiping with us. Please go to the table in the "Guest Connections" area of the foyer following our worship service. Richard May, some of our elders, and members of our Guest Connections Team will be there to greet you.

## Calendar

- Sunday**  
Sterling/Leyva Wedding Shower
- Monday**  
Men's Bible Study  
Elder's Meeting
- Tuesday**  
Autism Support Group  
Ladies PM Bible Study
- Wednesday**  
Toastmasters  
Sonshine Stitches  
Ladies AM Bible Study  
Bible Study
- Thursday**  
Foster Care Support Group  
NAMI Support Group
- Friday**  
Church Lunch
- Saturday**  
9th-12th Fall Retreat



## 12 HOURS OF PRAYER

**November 22, 2008**  
**8:00am - 8:00pm**

Please help us pray for each other. We will have prayer request cards available to submit your requests. We also need volunteer coordinators to help hand out the requests. If you would like to coordinate for one hour or more please sign up or see Jason Engle or Joe Wallace.

# Prayer Requests

**Chris and Joni Beck** requests prayers for their friend **Lynzi Black**. Her father was in an ATV accident a few weeks ago and he passed away recently.

**Edwina Bilderback**, neighbor of Rod and Ardith Sheaffer, requests prayers for her grandson Daniel Davis, who has been experiencing heart problems and black outs for 2 years now and they are getting worse. He will be undergoing tests in Texas.

**Chuck Bledsoe** will have eye surgery December 18th.

**Pam Ferguson**, the nurse at OC and co-worker of Brenda Gunter, had surgery last week and is doing better.

**Paula Leaman** has brought her mother here to take care of her as she has a compression fracture in her spine and is supposed to remain in bed.

**Linda Perry** will have OP surgery Tuesday at 8:00 at the Lakeside Women's Hospital.

**Alice Ralls**, Phyllis Mitchell's mother, is out of the hospital and back at the Parkland Nursing Home at 6312 N. Portland in OKC.

**Glenda Tate**, who attends here with Pat McIntyre, was scheduled to have surgery, but it was cancelled at this time. (400 S. Ranchwood, Lot 105, Yukon)

**Shelli Vang** is continuing a series of chemo with 3 weeks on and 1 week off.

**Julian and Coy Wallace**, Joe's mom and dad, have been moved to the Epworth Villa Skilled Nursing Facility in OKC.

**Thelda Watson** is undergoing tests for abdominal pain and requests our prayers.

**Pansy Wilson** is improving and feeling better.

**Please continue to pray for our South Yukon Family:** Shyree (Mike and Cathy Morris' Foster child), **Eric Bejcek**, **Chuck Bledsoe**, **Linda Bratcher**, **Merv Deason**, **Jack Hicks**, **Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net), **Evelyn Hughes**, **Don Kilmer**, **Gordon Leaman**, **Brad May** (Mission Trip), **Emily McCoy**, **Roy and Edna Nusbaum**, **Anita Readnour**, **Sandra Schoolcraft**, **TC & Lylia Seitz**, **Bette Sharp**, **Kathy Wallace and Family**, **Cobey Walters**, **Mel and Debbie Warden**, **Jack Womack**.

**South Yukon Family with Cancer:** **Ken Bennett**, **Larry Bledsoe** (Treatments thru November), **Neil Cosgrove**, **Stefanie Grantello**, **Dean Hill**, **Bea Johnson**, **Bob Kelly**, **Jim Linam**, **Yvonne McGaugh**, **Jeannette Oclaray**, **Shelli Vang** (undergoing chemo), **Jack Womack**. Please remember their spouses & families as well.

**Our Expectant Mothers:** **Phyllis Cox** (Jan), **Maria Clark** (March), **Amy Ritchal** (May)

**Our Shut-ins:** **Evelyn Cannon**, **Marie Cox**, **Audrey Gray**, **Liz Knight**, **Don and Veda Morris**, **Buck Buchanan**, **Alice Ralls**, **Marlene Wadkins**, **Daisy Valliant** (Bellevue Health and Rehab Center ~ cards sent to Daisy at P. O. Box 850403, Yukon 73085)

**Family and Friends:** **Granton Bayless** (K. McKeever's nephew), **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Margaret Bryson** (Newberry's aunt), **Chris Daughterity** (Daughterity's son), **Renee Davis** (friend of Bill & Teresa Harris), **Orpha Dean** (Andy's mom), **Billie Ferrell** (D. Cassel's mother), **Noah Givens** (Coles's great nephew), **Buddy Glass** (V. Bonny's dad), **Barbara Johnson** (coworker of T. Harris), **Wayne Mashburn** (E. Reece's father), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Tim Newby** (Burk's son~Grace Living Center, 3233 NW 10th, Room 411, OKC 73107), **Alline Pace** (K. Wallace's mother), **Delbert & Lillie Shockley** (friends of Heldreth/Harris), **Ben Sharp** (Bette's grandson/Coma), **Julian and Coy Wallace** (Joe's parents), **Betty Watts** (s-i-l of Wayne Watts), **Mary White** (B. Myers mother), **Wilma and Charles Yarbrough** (L. Perry's parents).

**Family and Friends with Cancer:** **Arthur Anthony** (brother of E. Hughes), **Newman Bradford** (C. Onley's brother), **John Broach** and **Virginia Broach** (Fred's parents), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Jennifer Clark** (Rosie Hinkle's granddaughter), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Wilbur Cravey** (C. Mayhan's father), **Sharon Emmert** (B. Wallace's cousin), **Norman High** (C. Montgomery's dad), **Don Hooper** (T. Addington's father), **Judy Hurt** (V. Stephen's sister), **Tara Johnson** (friend of C&J Beck), **Carol Karguth** (V. Stephens mother), **Sandra Leist** (P. McIntyre's sister), **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Gerald Morgan** (b-i-l of A. Morgan), **Vonda McPherson** (N. Heldreth's cousin), **Kenneth Roberts** (Cindi Stump's uncle), **Bob Schmidt** (J&P Cox's uncle), **Tommy Schultz** (b-i-l of A & L Bratcher), **Bobby Shook** (brother of Myrtle McCathern), **AJ Smith** (friend of Deason's), **Frances Stinnett** (Lara Davis' mother), **Paul Taylor** (Onleys b-i-l), **Marilyn Tulley**, liver cancer (cousin of Ken Bennett), **John Walker** (A. Williams dad), **Nancy Weddle** (M. Shipp's friend).

**On Hospice Care:** **Isabel Allen** (mother of Marilyn Dean)

**Activated Military Personnel:** **Daniel Alvarez** (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), **Brian Carroll** (friend of Easter's), **Brian Childers** (friend of J. Hughs), **Ricardo Curbelo** (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), **Chris and Bethann Lister** (N. Moates niece and husband), **Jeremy Lassiter** (J. Mayhan's friend), **Chan Aaron** (M. Hughs' brother), **Chris Harrell** (son of Pamela Hayes).



Husbands, have you ever given your wife some flowers in apology for some boneheaded comment you made? Don and Marlo Roddy have given selflessly and cheered each other on in the past couple of weeks in a really cool way. Don took his thirty minutes for lunch the other day to, instead of hurrying into a fast food restaurant near his work place to satisfy his own hunger, make a trip to Yukon to take Marlo some flowers. He wasn't asking for forgiveness. He wasn't trying to butter her up so that she would be prepared to receive some bad news. He just wanted to give her something in a way that would communicate that he thinks about her during his work day, and he wants her to know that he cares about her. Great job, Don!

Now here is how Marlo makes sure that they are acting as a team of two, expressing mutual care for each other. We didn't learn about Don's flower delivery from Don. We learned about it from Marlo. Marlo was sure to let other people know about her thoughtful husband in front of Don. Remember how Paul called wives to "respect" their husbands (Ephesians 5:33)? Well, Marlo praised Don publicly and sweetly demonstrating how proud she is of her man! Great job, Marlo!

Sacrificial giving. Public respect. Those are some great gifts between teammates in a Team of Two!

About teams of two: Jason Krafsky, with his wife, Kelli, is the founder of Full Marriage Experience

(Fullmarriageexperience.com).

We found the marriagejunkie t-shirts and Jason's display at the AMFM conference this summer. When Jason realized how many teams of two were getting the t-shirts, he asked if we would take a picture with as many as we could for him to put on his website. We are drawing attention to marriage as Jesus wants it! People are beginning to understand that we have something special in the marriage ministry of South Yukon. Great job, everybody!





## God and Family

When building a house everyone knows that it takes a firm foundation to make it stable. When it comes to a family it is no different, a family needs a firm foundation. This foundation comes from principles set by God. This foundational principle can be found in Matthew 7:24-27. The parable speaks of two builders, comparing them to a follower of Christ who either lives by Christ's word or does not live by them. I would like to suggest the rains and floods Christ speaks about in the parable are the trials and obstacles we face in this world. It will be our foundation that will determine if we will be able to stand or fall.

Another quality we must have to make our home stable and that is our love for God and fellow family members. It is our primary duty as parents to show our love for God to our children so that they can understand and see the importance of such love. In I John 4:19 we can find the definition to what love is and if we will remind one another to love as God loves then our home will always be a stable home.

Stay strong and stay true South Yukon.

*Gene*

## Teen News

**9th-12th Grade Fall Retreat** - Nov. 15th and 16th. Gene would like to meet with all who are going to the retreat and their parents, this morning after services in the room across from the Parlor.

**All highschool girls** (9th-12th) are invited to Yvonne McGaugh's home on Tuesday evening, November 18th from 7:00-9:00 for a devo and prayer, along with snacks to follow. Rebecca Linam Baker will be helping. Please come if you can, to talk and have some fun.

## Keith Lancaster's "Praise & Harmony Workshop"

**Saturday and Sunday, April 4 & 5, 2009**

**Training CD "Awesome God" Praise & Harmony A Cappella Worship**

If you are interested in purchasing the training CD for the workshop, please sign the order sheet posted on the bulletin board.

**2 disc set  
200 voice chorus  
4 part practice CD  
\$13/set**

**(checks payable to the church)**



## Guess Who Believes in YOU?

A Rabbi in Jesus day said, *"If all you teach your children is that they must believe in God, you are the worst of heretics. The correct way is not only to teach that they must believe in God; but with equal passion that God believes in them."*

Normally, when covenants were made, both parties kept a copy. When God made a covenant with Israel, he gave Moses both tablets of the Ten Commandments. He showed his faith in the Hebrews by giving them the copies.

Does it shock you to think that the God of heaven has faith – in us? With all of our "warts" and wants, God has given us great treasures (Matthew 13:44; 2 Corinthians 4:7). He has entrusted us with:

- The Gospel (Matthew 28:18-20)
- His word (Romans 3:1-2; 2 Timothy 2:15)
- Forgiveness (John 20:23)
- Each other's souls – Hebrews 13:17
- And more

God believes in YOU and ME! He believes that we will do right things. He believes we will be his people in the world in which we live. Sometimes we disappoint him but he keeps on believing that we will be lights and salt.

We understand why we need to believe God. We NEED his direction. When he leads, we must follow. However, it is quite another thing to see how much God believes in US. How does it feel to join the ranks of the great heroes of the Bible whom God trusted with resources and people to accomplish his will?

Keep The Light Burning!

*Perry*

**Ministry Spotlight**

**Building and Grounds**

**Deacons** – Tom Rackley and Garry Harrison  
**Elder** – Ken Davidson and Mel Schaefer

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*

**Doves**

We have asked our New Members to wear the Dove lapel pins during the month of November. When you see the dove be sure to introduce yourself and make our new members feel at home!



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Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening ..... 7:00 pm

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Barry Stump ..... 354-9334  
Joe Wallace ..... 354-1673

#### Missionaries

##### Fishers of Men

Darrell & Jean O'Rourke

##### SEARCH TV

Mack Lyon

##### Adventures in Missions

Pat & Malissa Sheaffer

##### South Africa Bible School

Al & Donna Horne

##### South Africa

Austin, Gabriel and Lucky

##### Brazil

Mel & Marly Latorre

##### Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

##### Ecuador

Julio Perez, Luis Andrango, Armando Troya

Kent & Sharla Marcum

##### Guadalajara

Cory & Toni Burns

#### Statistics

##### Attendance

Bible Classes: ..... 426  
Worship A.M.: ..... 622  
Worship P.M.: ..... 175  
Home Group: ..... 125  
Worship P.M.Total: ..... 300  
Wednesday ..... NC  
Daily Bible Readers: ..... 64  
Present Membership: ..... 615

##### Contribution

Last Week: ..... \$19,612  
Budget Requires: ..... \$15,922

# Family Matters



### Wedding Shower

Honoring Tricia Sterling and Jesse Leyva.  
Today at 2:00 in the Parlor. Registered at:  
Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.

### Tuesday Evening Ladies Bible Class

6:30pm in the home of Vicky Sterling.  
Lesson 7 ~ "Jehovah-Nissi". This will be  
our last class this fall.

### Church Lunch Need

We are in need of Dr. Pepper, Coke, Root  
Beer, Mountain Dew and Sprite for the  
Friday Lunches. If you can donate, please  
place Pop in the kitchen.

### Teachers Needed for New Quarter

Our new quarter begins Wed., Dec. 3rd.  
We are needing teachers and assistants in  
the preschool department. If you can help,  
please contact Cindi Stump at 570-8432.

### Praise & Harmony CD

We are now taking payment for the Praise  
& Harmony CD. If you placed an order  
the cost is \$13.00 per set. Please make your  
check payable to the church and give to one  
of the secretaries or Tim Holt.

### Victory Celebration

Calling All Couples - Come - Sunday,  
November 16th at 6:30 pm to the fellowship  
hall for "Two Sweet Treats". Learn about  
the upcoming Dynamic Marriage Class.  
Enjoy dessert with your spouse and  
celebrate with the previous 9 couples who  
completed the last class. Even if you can't  
attend class beginning in January, but are  
interested in knowing more about this  
amazing class - come, let us serve you!

### Couples Christmas Party

If you are interested in helping with the  
Couples Christmas Party on Saturday,  
December 6th, stop by the Marriage  
Ministry table to sign up.

### Marriage Junkie T-shirts

If you would like to sign up to purchase a  
t-shirt, please come to the Marriage  
Ministry table. Shirts are \$12/each.

### Sonshine Stitches Meet

Wednesday from 9-Noon in the Fellowship  
Hall. See Florine Jones for info.

### Men's Breakfast

Has been cancelled for this month.

**Men's Monday Morning Bible Study**  
6:45am in the conference room.

### Romans Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in the  
conference room. This study is led by  
Jeanette Schoof and Mary Sue Sanders.

### Food Committee Coordinator Needed

Due to life changes and a busy schedule,  
Eugenia Harrison will be stepping down  
from directing the food committee as of  
December 1. We appreciate her 2 years of  
dedicated service in coordinating meals for  
families in difficult circumstances. If you  
would like to take over this responsibility,  
please call her (350.8592) or the church  
office (354.1863). Thank you, Eugenia!  
And thanks in advance to whomever will  
fill this important role!

### Thank You

We would like to give a big thank you to  
all who helped make the Fall Festival such  
a success this year. Thanks again.

A heartfelt thanks to each of you for the  
prayers, cards, flowers, food and visits  
during my recent surgery,. It is such a  
blessing to be a part of this church family. I  
look forward to returning to worship  
services and to see your wonderful faces.  
What an awesome God we have.

Love, Bob Kelly

Dear friends, this is way over due, sorry.  
Thank you for your hospital visits. That  
meant a lot to me. In fact, thank you for all  
the sweet cards and for your thoughts and  
prayers. I love your church. Veda and Don  
Morris are doing well and good.

Sincerely, April Schultz (caretaker of Don  
and Veda Morris)

Thank you for your many kindness shown  
to me through your prayers, cards, visits,  
calls and food. Love, Pansy Wilson

### LTC Note

Service and Devotional challenge forms are  
available on the table in the foyer. If you  
have any questions see Jennie Lockhart.

### Westview Boys

We are sponsoring a cottage for Christmas.  
Only 4 boys left. If you would like to get a  
group together to sponsor a child, please  
see Amber Garner.