



The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST SOUTH YUKON

Supplying Needs and Overflowing Thanks

When people experience or see the generosity of God through the lives of Jesus' followers, thanksgiving to God flows. In fact, it overflows! Put specifically, when Christian John is struggling to keep his electricity after he has paid for his food, and his church family keeps his lights on for him; Christian John give thanks to God, and so do Christian John's unbelieving friends who have known about his struggles.

That's the kind of thing that Paul was addressing when he wrote the Corinthians:

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written:

"He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever."

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God" (2 Cor 9:6-12).

I really believe that in this upcoming year we are going to have to help many in our church family whose incomes will be directly impacted by business cutbacks and shutdowns. Additionally, those in our church family whose incomes are not so severely impacted by recession will need to give more to compensate for those who won't be able to give as much.

I also believe that we are prepared for that service. God has prepared us through the indescribable gift of salvation by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:9-10). Are you ready to be generous? Are you ready to give beyond that "small portion"? Will you give generously, sacrificially, and happily in response to the need before us and the gifts we have received?

That's Life at Work! **Richard**



April 4-5, 2009

Picture Directories

The Winter 2009 Picture Directories are in and available in the foyer. One per family please.

Attention All First Time Guests!

We have a gift for you this morning to thank you for worshipping 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
Bible Study
Worship

Monday
Men's Bible Study
Elder's Meeting

Tuesday
Autism Support Group

Wednesday
Toastmasters
Ladies AM Bible Study
Sonshine Stitchers
Bible Study

Friday
Church Lunch

Saturday
Dynamic Marriage Class

Teacher's Banquet

Have you taught a Sunday or Wednesday night class, adult Bible study, hosted home group or worked at VBS?

If you answered yes, you are invited!

We are rounding up all teachers to honor them with an Old West Meal and some fun. The Old West Teacher Roundup will take place on Sunday, January 25th after Sunday night services. There will be baby-sitting for little buckaroos but parents will need to provide a sack lunch. Sign up for the Old West Teacher Roundup on the bulletin board by the office. See Nina Moates for more details.

Prayer Requests

Juanita Bennett, Dorine Watson's daughter, is being treated for cellulitis.

Stefanie Grantello is doing much better and thanks you for your prayers.

Dean Hill is home from the hospital.

Emma Logsdon requests prayers for her sister **Joyce Sisson** who is recovering from a stroke and also for her brother in law **Ralph Sisson** who has pancreas and liver cancer. She also requests prayers for Ralph's spiritual health.

Rick Marcotte is recuperating from Gallbladder/Hernia surgery. (Thank all of you for your cards, calls, and prayers regarding my surgery and recovery. You are all such a blessing! Rick)

Emily McCoy is out of the hospital and at her home in Wellston.

Clint McCutchen, the brother in law of Dianne Cassel, does have Prostate cancer and is waiting for treatment options.

Our sympathy to Phil and Mary Mincher on the passing of their 16 year-old granddaughter Paige. Services were last Monday.

Earline Shriver, Gary's mom, will have the spot on her kidney removed January 21st.

Jim Terrell is still dealing with gout.

Mike Wilhite is doing much better and met with a specialist last week.

Please continue to pray for our South Yukon Family: Shyree (Mike and Cathy Morris' Foster child), Eric Bejcek, Carolan Bledsoe, Chuck Bledsoe, Linda Bratcher, Merv Deason, Brenda Gunter, Jack Hicks, Brad Hudson (bhudson16@cox.net) Piper Station Apartments #232, 5223 Gallant Fox Way, Charlotte, NC 28277), Don Kilmer, Gordon Leaman, Emily McCoy, Debra and Michael New, Roy and Edna Nusbaum, Sandra Schoolcraft, TC & Lylia Seitz, Bette Sharp (3109 Wimberley), Cobey Walters, Mel and Debbie Warden, Mike Wilhite, Pansy Wilson, Jack Womack, Billy Woods.

South Yukon Family with Cancer: Larry Bledsoe, Neil Cosgrove, Dean Hill, Bea Johnson, Bob Kelly, Jim Linam, Shelli Vang (undergoing chemo), Jack Womack. Remember their spouses & families as well.

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

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: Mandy Berry (Hudson's daughter/expecting), George Bryan (Joy Wallace's dad), Margaret Bryson (Newberry's aunt), Chastain Family (friends of the Cox's), Chris Daugherity (Daugherity's son), Erica Davis' Baby (K. Finefrock's friend), Renee Davis (friend of Harris), Orpha Dean (Andy's mom), Matthew Dobbins (Greg's son), Madison Evans (B. Gunter's niece), Pam Ferguson (coworker of B. Gunter), Billie Ferrell (D. Cassel's mother), Noah Givens (Coles's great nephew), Buddy Glass (V. Bonny's dad), Barbara Johnson (coworker of T. Harris), Judy Lamkin (P. McIntyre's sister), Wayne Mashburn (E. Reece's father), Amy McCathran (B&M Stump's daughter), Tim Mize (108 Snowmass), Tim Newby, Alline Pace (K. Wallace's mother), Delbert & Lillie Shockley (friends of Heldreth/Harris), Ben Sharp (Bette's grandson), Glenda Tate (400 S. Ranchwood, Lot 105, 350-6725), Julian and Coy Wallace (Joe's parents), Betty Watts (s-i-l of Wayne Watts), Mary White (B. Myers mother), Daniel Yancy, (21 year old great nephew of Judy Scroggins), Wilma and Charles Yarbrough (L. Perry's parents).

Family and Friends with Cancer: Arthur Anthony (brother of E. Hughes), Lucille Ballard (D. Beshears mother), Newman Bradford (C. Onley's brother), John Broach and Virginia Broach (Fred's parents), Gary Brawler (Patrick's dad), Ron Clemmens (Brian's dad), Wilbur Cravey (C. Mayhan's father), Norman High (C. Montgomery's dad), Don Hooper (T. Addington's father), Judy Hurt (V. Stephen's sister), Carol Karguth (V. Stephens mother), Sandra Leist (P. McIntyre's sister), Marvin McCathern (Floyd's brother), Sue McDonald (J. Davis' cousin), 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 (cousin of Ken Bennett), Elise Vega (friend of C&J Beck), John Walker (A. Williams dad), Nancy Weddle (M. Shipp's friend), Daniel Yancey (Scroggins nephew).

On Hospice Care: Isabel Allen (mother of Marilyn Dean), Doris Rimel (Steve's mother)

Activated Military Personnel: Daniel Alvarez (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), Robert "Butch" Crain (brother of S. Easter), Brian Childers (friend of J. Hughes), Ricardo Curbelo (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), Jeremy Lassiter (J. Mayhan's friend), Chan Aaron (M. Hughes' brother), Chris Harrell (son of Pamela Hayes).



Life is About Changes

Time for a Change!

“When you change your thinking, you can change your life”

When you change your thinking, you change your beliefs,

When you change your beliefs, you change your expectations,

When you change your expectations, you change your attitude,

When you change your attitude, you change your behavior,

When you change your behavior, you change your performance,

When you change your performance, you change your life!

~ Anonymous

Life is about changes! Changes occur whether we make them or not. We must take a proactive role in our marriages in order to move towards or maintain a godly marriage. Drifting doesn't take couples anywhere good! “Make every effort!” That's the kind of language Paul used to make sure that we don't allow complacency to destroy our relationships (Ephesians 4:3).

Are you thinking about your marriage with a positive mindset? Do you speak positively to yourself and others about your spouse? Do you believe you can have a marriage in which you will find greater emotional, spiritual, and physical intimacy? Do you give your spouse good attention when she is talking to you? Do you deliberately keep your cool when you could fly off the handle? Are you regularly learning something that will cause you to be a better spouse? Are you associating with others who encourage you in your relationship? If so, Congratulations!! Keep up the good work and encourage those around you! If not, what are YOU doing to change your life?

Change your thinking and get on the path to changing your life, especially in regard to your marriage!

Richard and Jeanna Lynn



Free From Clutter

There is one thing that I do not like and that is clutter. My philosophy is if you have not seen it or used it in the last six months then throw it away. This is one of the reasons I like trash day, because when it is time to get rid of the clutter send it to the curb and some nice men will pick it up and dispose of it properly. Our lives can get filled up with clutter like our homes. We live in a world that is filled with moral trash and if we are not careful then our minds can be cluttered by this trash. When our minds get cluttered we can not take it to the curb on trash day to get rid of the trash, it has to be taken to the cross to be rid of it forever (Heb. 10:17). We must on a daily basis keep our minds on those things that are "true, lovely, just. . ." (Phil. 4:8). So let's commit this year to renewing our relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ and let's free ourselves from the clutter.

Stay strong and stay true South Yukon.

Gene

Teen News

January 18 - SNL at the Hartman's.

February 1 - Parents of teens meeting/ luncheon following morning services in the fellowship hall.



LTC News!

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

For practices all doors will be locked except the door by the fellowship Hall.

Practice schedules are on the LTC bulletin board.

"Can Do" Cancer Support Group

Dr. Kiran Prabhu, M.D. will be our guest speaker at the Monday, January 19th Support Meeting. Dr. Prabhu is an Oncologist with an expertise in radiation treatments. She currently works for Integris and has treated several members of our congregation. Everyone - survivor, caregiver, family, friends or just those interested in learning about cancer and its treatment, is invited to attend from 6:30 - 8:00pm in the Parlor. For more info, contact Jim Linam or Stefanie Grantello.

World Bible School

2008 Statistics

5617 Intro Lessons Sent
1893 Graded and Returned

Perry's Scope



Holy Opposites

Consider these actions of Jesus:

"22 He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. 23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:22-24).

I recently read of how our Adversary uses our reactive nature against us. He wants us to feel sorry for ourselves when we have been "slighted" or "hurt" so that we will lash out to express our pain. To combat him, we need to do the opposite of what our pride tells us to do.

Consider some practical "holy opposites" to do when we are tempted.

- Instead of yelling, we speak softly.
- Instead of cursing, we compliment.
- Instead of taking, we give.
- Instead of worrying, we act in faith.
- Instead of fearing, we summon courage.
- Instead of seeking revenge, we offer forgiveness.
- Instead of blaming, we become accountable.
- Instead of complaining, we start appreciating.
- Instead of criticizing others, we look for the good in them.
- Instead of listing reasons why life is so unfair, we count our blessings.

By no means are these easy things to do. Yet, they follow Jesus' example and teachings – going the second mile; turning the other cheek; etc. It is right to do them.

Keep the Light Burning!

Perry

Gran Gran Song Service

Classes, Home Groups, or individuals are needed to host a song services at Gran Grans once a month. If you would be willing to serve in this area, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

Ministry Spotlight

M.I.R.R.O.R. Ministry

(May I Rightly Reflect Our Redeemer)

All girls Kindergarten thru 12th grade are invited to join us as we work together to spread a little *Sonshine* to our community and church family. We meet on the 2nd Saturday of every month (typically from 10am to noon) and spend our time working on various service projects and outreach activities. We, of course, have plenty of fun along the way! Please come and invite your friends.... You'll be happy you did!!

"Girlfriends in God" (GiG) - K-3rd grade, *Serving with Micha Hughs and Lynna Dobbins*

"Girls Giving God Glory" (G3G) - 4th-8th grade, *Serving with Tammy Beshears, Amber Garner, Jennifer Nichols, Melanie Welch, Lorie Mulkey*

"Sisterhood of Service" (SOS) - 9th-12th grade, *Serving with Kristi Finefrock, Cristi Killian, and Mary Sue Sanders*

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South Africa Bible School

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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: 375
Worship A.M.: 513
Worship P.M.: 183
Home Group 51
Worship P.M. Total 234
Midweek NC
Daily Bible Readers: 63
Present Membership: 617

Contribution

Last Week: \$16,043
Budget Requires: \$15,922

Family Matters



Hope Harbor Grocery Pickup

Items due: Sunday, February 1st

If each family could contribute something from the following list, and leave it in the basket in the foyer, it would be appreciated. *Bottled fruit juice, bottled water, gatorade, flavored waters, coffee, powdered sugar, brown sugar, ranch dressing, corn oil, canola oil, olive oil cooking spray, pineapple chunks, mandarin oranges, canned chicken, rice-a-roni style mixes, nuts, sliced black olives, decaf tea/quart size, individually packaged snack items such as: cookies, beef jerky, cheese-it style crackers, trail mix, 100 calorie packs, etc. but not sandwich style crackers, flour/ unbleached, antibacterial spray cleaner, liquid laundry soap, paper towels, toilet paper, kleenex tissues, tooth paste, bath soap, shower gel.*

Sonshine Stitchers

Meet Wednesday from 9:00-Noon in the Fellowship Hall. For info contact Florine Jones.

ATTENTION LADIES!

Dale Robertson Senior Citizen Birthday Party

We will be sponsoring the Dale Robertson Senior Citizen Birthday Party, Thursday, January 22nd. We have need of 21 pies and 3 angel food cakes. Please make pies large enough (9" pie plate) so they can be cut into 8 nice size pieces. Sign list on women's bulletin board by the parlor. Please have pies to the church building kitchen by, Wednesday evening, January 21 or Thursday, January 22 by 10:00am. For more info - contact Vicky Sterling.

Also...Let's get to know each other better! Start Off the New Year Right.....Learn How to Play Bunko, Meet New Friends and Get More Connected!

Join us at...

Jennie Lockhart's
9909 SW 35th

Monday, January 19, 2009
7:00pm

Jennie's house is located in Wimberley Estates Edition. (Two blocks West of Morgan Rd. on SW 29th.) Turn south on Wimberley Drive into the addition. Turn left and then directly right on SW 35th. Jennie's house is second house on the right. Sign up on the women's bulletin board today!

Baby Shower

Honoring Matt and Maria Clark, Sunday, January 18th, at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are expecting a girl and naming her Ella. They are registered at Babies R Us.

Communion Prep/Greeters Needed

Sign up on the board if you can help.

Attention Funtimers

There will be a reorganizational meeting in the parlor immediately following morning services on **January 25th**. Some very important decisions will be made. Please plan to attend!

Directory Updates/Corrections

Mini Directory

Andy and Laura Langham, 256-0579.

Picture Directory

Phil and Mary Mincher, 900 Walsh, Yukon, OK 354-7637.

Missing

A Dell laptop computer and power supply have gone missing from the church office within the last month or so.

Also the book, *The Day the World Came to Town*, is missing. If you have borrowed these or have knowledge of their whereabouts, please call or return them to the office. Thank You!

Ladies AM Bible Study

Meets on Wednesdays at 10:00am in the Conference Room. The topic is the book of "Romans" taught by Jeanette Schoof and Mary Sue Sanders.

Our Sympathy

To Phil and Mary Mincher at the passing of their 16 year-old granddaughter, Paige Mincher, who was killed in a car accident. Her services were held last week.



Help fill our own food pantry!

This Weeks Pantry Need...

Peanut Butter & Jelly
(please place in basket in foyer)