



Grace is not a License

My Dad told me a many years ago that if I preach grace like Paul taught it, I'll always have to warn people that grace is not a license to sin. Some people from conservative churches say they didn't hear much about grace growing up. I knew about grace. I experienced it more than I heard it, I believe; but I did hear it.

It's critical to me that those who hear me preach regularly hear a lot about grace; and since I love to preach through books, sermons on salvation by grace through faith come around pretty often. Paul is desperate for the Galatians to turn back to reality. Many of the Galatians had spent their lives worshipping idols. Idols aren't real. Many had spent their lives trying to be justified by law keeping. Justification on the basis of human effort isn't real. These idol worship and "law keepers" had heard clearly that Christ was crucified for them and that what's real is justification through faith in him!

Since they were no longer under the condemnation that comes with transgression of the law, some might have believed that sinning was not a problem. So Paul admonished them. He called them to live lives of service to each other. He warned them not to return to what had brought them disaster before: First, he warned them not to follow the system of salvation that emphasized their own righteousness above faith in Christ. Second, he told them not to return to those ways that were obviously part of the sinful nature. The way of the Spirit is in conflict with the works of the flesh. Spirit led people don't go there.

And he called them to love each other. If you miss that in Galatians 5 and 6, you aren't paying attention. The most obvious evidence that you follow Jesus is that you love your neighbor.

"The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love"
(Gal 5:6).

"The entire law is summed up in a single command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself'" (Gal 5:14).

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ"
(Gal 6:2).

The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SOUTH YUKON

"Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is a new creation" (Gal 6:15).

Being a new person, particularly seen in your love for others, is the essence of the Christian walk. How are you doing with that?

That's Life at Work!

Richard

Special Mission Sunday May 3rd

The elders have set aside this date as a special contribution day for our missionaries. A special contribution will be taken above and beyond what you normally give to the church for our missionaries. This will go towards offsetting some of the loss of support and funding they have recently encountered.

Envelopes will be passed out before the Shepherd's prayer with each Missionary's name and their work on the envelope. There will be a check box, by each name for you to mark, if you so choose to designate your contribution to a particular mission. Contributions will be collected after the Shepherd's prayer.

Darrell & Jean O'Rourke
"Fishers of Men"

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul
"Thailand"

Pat & Malissa Sheaffer
"Aim Students"

Kent & Sharla Marcum
Julio Perez, Luis Andrango,
Armando Troya
"Quito School"

Mel & Marly Latorre
"Brazil"

Al & Donna Horne
"South Africa Bible School"

Korey & Toni Burns
"Guadalajara"

Kelliann Hale
"Come Before Winter"

Austin Chitsukwa,
Gabriel Betha, Lucky Nwoko
"World Bible School"

Calendar

Sunday

Ladies Unity Team
Bible Study/Worship
Home Groups
Amy Ritchal Shower
SNL

Monday

Elder's Meeting
"Can-Do" Cancer Support Group

Tuesday

NAMI Support Group

Wednesday

Toastmasters
Midweek Bible Study

Friday

Church Lunch
Ladies Retreat

Saturday

Ladies Retreat

"Free To Be Me"
Ladies Retreat 2009
This Friday and Saturday!
Beginning at 5:30pm
Fellowship Hall

Welcome!



Keith and Jacque Morton
Zach, Kayla, Keith
12016 SW 18th
Yukon, OK 73099
474-2048

Prayer Requests

Melody Dixon had surgery this week and it went well. Melody Dixon requests prayers for the **McCloud family** whose son passed away. **Scot Eckhart**, friend of the Newberrys and Davis', had prostate cancer surgery. **Troy Gilbert**, the brother in law of Patrick Brawner suffered a seizure from a reaction to medication he was taking for a sinus infection. Due to the seizures he will not be allowed to drive for 6 months and he is a truck driver. Please pray that he will not have any more seizures and that financially God will open some doors for them. **Stefanie Grantello** had an MRI and is waiting on results. **Alicia Hanes**, daughter of Mel and Debbie Warden, is having Sinus Surgery Friday in Germany. She will be hospitalized for 4-6 days. **Cecil May, Jr.**, Richards dad, was diagnosed with prostate cancer. His tests showed no spread of cancer, just some arthritis. **Joe Middleton**, Tommy's father, is having health problems and undergoing tests. **Andi Reuter**, Kyle's 4 year old niece has begun chemo treatments. **Sandra Schoolcraft** is home recuperating from bypass surgery. **Bette Sharp's** health is continuing to decline. She is on Hospice Care in the home of her son Rodney at 3109 Wimberley Drive in Yukon. **Rex Swaim** will have cataract surgery at the Yukon Hospital Monday at 7:00am. **Debbie Warden** will have an MRI on her back Wednesday. **Charles Yarbrough**, Linda Perry's dad, is in Deaconess for testing.

Please continue to pray for our South Yukon Family: **Zelta Bennett, Eric Bejcek, Carolan Bledsoe, Chuck Bledsoe, Linda Bratcher, Sharron Davidson, Merv and Sue Deason, Bill and Melody Dixon, Stefanie Grantello, Brenda Gunter, Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net) Piper Station Apartments #232, 5223 Gallant Fox Way, Charlotte, NC 28277), **Don Kilmer, Gordon Leaman, Howard McCorkle, Emily McCoy, Pat McIntyre, Roy and Edna Nusbaum, David Reece, TC & Lyliia Seitz, Paul Trammel, Mike Wilhite, Cecil Wilson, Billy Woods.**

South Yukon Family with Cancer: Larry Bledsoe, Neil Cosgrove, JC Hasty, Dean Hill, Bea Johnson, Bob Kelly, Jim Linam, Walt McGaugh, Shelli Vang, Jack Womack. Please remember their spouses & families as well.

Our Expectant Mothers: Amy Ritchal (May), **Jerri Elston** (May), **Cassie Sturgeon** (June), **Amber Garner** (July), **Kristina Beshears** (July), **Cristi Killian** (August), **Sylvia Sterling** (August), **Emily Atchison** (Oct), **Kristi Finefrock** (Nov)

Our Shut-ins: Evelyn Cannon, Marie Cox, Audrey Gray, Liz Knight, Buck Buchanan, Alice Ralls, Mildred Riebe, Ila Thomas (Ranchwood, 2730 N. Mustang Rd #512), **Marlene Wadkins** (Grace Living Center/The Bridges, 7000 NW 32nd St, #321b, Bethany 73008, 834-1511), **Daisy Valliant** (POBox 850403, Yukon 73085)

On Hospice Care: Veda Morris, Shirley Pershall (Kevin's mom), **Bette Sharp**

Family and Friends: Juanita Bennett (D. Watsons daughter), **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Margaret Bryson** (Newberry's aunt), **Virginia Cox** (T Wooldrige's mother), **Altus Davidson, Renee Davis** (Brian Martinez mother), **Orpha Dean** (Andys mother), **Matthew Dobbins, Madison Evans** (B. Gunter's niece), **Billie Ferrell** (D. Cassel's mother), **Noah Givens** (Coles' nephew), **Buddy Glass** (V. Bonny's dad), **Erica Heldreth** (N. Heldreth's granddaughter), **Judy Lamkin** (P. McIntyre's sister), **Oliver Mastin** (www.olliestale.blogspot.com), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Elsie Moore** (P. Leaman's mother), **Tim Newby, Ben Sharp** (Bette's grandson), **Lillie Schockley and family** (Harris' friends), **Joyce Sisson** (E. Logsdons sister), **Coy Wallace** (Joe's mother), **Betty Watts** (s-i-l of W. 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/Virginia Broach** (Fred's parents), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Virginia Bryant** (Davidsons cousin), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Wilbur Cravey** (C. Mayhan's father), **Roy Ethridge** (S.Vang's uncle), **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), **Jerry Maddox** (M. Roddys dad), **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Clint McCutchen** (Cassel's b-i-l), **Sue McDonald** (J. Davis' cousin), **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), **Earline Shriver** (Gary's mom), **Ralph Sisson** (E. Logsdon b-i-l), **AJ Smith** (friend of Deason's), **Frances Stinnett** (Lara Davis' mother), **Paul Taylor** (Onleys b-i-l), **Elise Vega** (friend of C&J Beck), **John Walker** (A.Williams dad), **Daniel Yancey** (Scroggins nephew).

Activated Military Personnel: Robert "Butch" Crain (brother of S. Easter), **Ricardo Curbelo** (cousin to K. Finefrock), **Jeremy Lassiter** (Mayhan's friend), **Chan Aaron** (M. Hughs' brother), **Rick Conradi** (K. Reiter's nephew), **Chris Harrell** (son of P. Hayes), **Leesa Sheaffer** (d-i-l of R&A Sheaffer), **Andrea Steward** (Sheaffers friend).



2009 South Yukon Couples Retreat

It's Official. The 2009 South Yukon Couples Retreat is set:

When: September 25-27, 2009

Where: John Q. Hammonds Embassy Suites in Rogers, AR (LTC Location)

Theme: Fireproof Your Marriage!

Cost per Couple: \$225

Capacity: 40 Couples

Registration will begin (and perhaps end) at the 1-2-3 Couples Night on June 13! All couples are invited to come to that!

More details to come, but here are some things we really need!

Drivers for the Buses:

We are exploring taking the buses up this year – trying to be a greener family. We need someone who is going who has a CDL to drive the big bus and another volunteer to drive the smaller bus. Let us know!

Breakout Leaders:

Our breakout sessions were major hits at the 2008 retreat. If you are a HOME group leader and would be willing to lead one of the breakout groups at the retreat, contact us!

Area Information:

If you are familiar with cool stuff to do around the Rogers area, we are making a list for the retreat participants. Email us what you know, or type up a list and give it to one of us.

One of the goals of the South Yukon Marriage Ministry is to bring couples together in unity.

How good and pleasant it is when brothers (with their wives) live together in unity! (Psalm 133:1)

Richard and JeannaLynn

Easy as 1-2-3

Saturday, May 9th
6:00-9:00pm



Teen News

SNL - Tonight after services in the home of Tracy and Diane Watson at 936 Regal Road. Girls bring chips and boys bring dessert.

Areawide in Tecumseh - April 26th - Volleyball tournament.

Annual Spring Retreat - May 1-3 - Sign up on teen board so we can get t-shirt sizes. There will be a surprise guest this year. Bring a friend (they will not have to pay). Signup ASAP.

Seniors - Tri-fold boards are now available in the copy-room next to the office for you to pick up for your senior display.

Area Events

Changeless Truth For Changing Times - Bill Stewart - Tuttle cofC - April 19-22nd

Special Day For Ladies! - Pamela Stewart - Tuttle cofC - April 22nd

Understanding the Times - Chuck Monam - Highland cofC/Tecumseh - April 22-26th

Gospel Meeting - Bill Watkins - Cherokee Hills cofC - April 24-28th

Christian Evidence Seminar - Kim Wall - Waterloo Road church of Christ - April 25th

30th Annual Bible Teacher's Workshop - Eastside church of Christ/Duncan - May 2nd

Dinner honoring Bear Valley Bible Institute - Cherokee Hills cofC - May 22nd

Oklahoma Christian University Quest - Vision and Vitality - Keynote Speakers: Ken Jones, Richard May, Rich Little - June 4-6th

Oklahoma Christian University Rejuvenate Women's Day - Speakers: Kathy (McDonald) Wright, JeannaLynn May, Allison Garrett, Molly Martin, Phyllis Allen - June 6th

Detailed information of each event is posted on the Bulletin Board.



**Ministry
Spotlight**

**Advertising &
Publications**

Deacon – Glen Davis
Elder – Marvin Keele

The intention of this Ministry is to promote the church in the community and keep the congregation informed. This simple statement plays out in a number of activities. In addition to advertising congregational events in the community, this Ministry is involved in the Weekly Bulletin; the Daily Careline; and overlaps into the church website. It takes on the enormous task of providing us with Church Directories and a Business Directory. The Ministry also publishes brochures and a New Member packet.

As you can see this is a busy Ministry. It is crucial in supporting both the "Outreach" and "In-reach" activities of the congregation.

Perry



Passover Moon

I visited my mom in Florida last week. Last Thursday night I walked on the beach. I saw the full orange moon rise over the ocean from the spot where the sea "touches" the sky. It filled the heavens and reflected off of the water. It was an impressive sight.

Then I thought, "Why is this night different than the others?" It was the fifth anniversary of my dad's death. That was significant, but there was more. This was the anniversary of Jesus' "Last Supper." Over 2000 years ago, Jesus and his disciples shared the Passover meal and reflected on the events of the exodus from Egypt. Then, he became the real "Passover lamb" who takes away the sins of the world.

As disciples of Jesus the Passover time of year is significant. "It was the best of times. It was the worst of times." It was the best for us; it was the worst for him. Jesus suffered unimaginable agony for us.

Jesus did not "pass over" the opportunity to take away the curse of sin. He did not think of himself, rather, he looked down through the ages and saw each of us and our need for his sacrifice. So, he went to the cross. The even better news is that the grave could not hold him. He lives and we celebrate his death, burial, and resurrection each week.

What do I think of when I see the full moon? I think back to my dad and feel gratitude and pain. I think back even further to Jesus with deep emotions of appreciation that stir me to want to be a better disciple. How about you?

Keep The Light Burning!

Perry

2009 Couples Retreat Team Meeting

Tuesday, April 28th
6:00pm
Room 49



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Bible Class 9:00 am
 Worship 10:00 am
 Sunday Evening 5:00 pm
 Wednesday Evening 7:00 pm

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Missionaries
Fishers of Men
 Darrell & Jean O'Rourke
SEARCH TV
 Mack Lyon
Adventures in Missions
 Pat & Malissa Sheaffer
Southern Africa Bible College
 Al & Donna Horne
Malawi Africa
 Austin, Gabriel and Lucky
Brazil
 Mel & Marly Latorre
Thailand
 Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul
Ecuador
 Julio Perez, Luis Andrango, Armando Troya
 Kent & Sharla Marcum
Guadalajara
 Corey & Toni Burns

Statistics
Attendance
 Bible Classes 303
 Worship A.M. 557
 Worship P.M. 204
 Home Group 28
 Worship P.M.Total 232
 Midweek 342
 Daily Bible Readers 56
 Present Membership 624
Contribution
 Last Week: \$14,022
 Budget Requires: \$16,772

**Family
Matters**



Diapers and Wipes Shower

For Joe and Amy Ritchal, Today at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a girl.

Baby Shower

For Steven and Cassie Sturgeon, Sunday, April 26th at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a boy (Brody) and are registered at Babies-r-Us, Target and Walmart.

For Clint and Jerri Elston, May 3rd at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a boy and are registered at Target and Babies-R-Us.

Our Sympathy

To Neil Cosgrove and family on the passing of his brother Don of OKC. Visitation will be held today from noon - 6:00 at the Mercer/Adams Funeral Home in Bethany. Services are Monday at 10:00am at the Funeral Home.

Address Change

Andy and Megan McKinnon, 108 Trenton Terrace, Yukon, 308-5686.

Camp Applications are available in the boxes by the Teen bulletin board. Remember, the church will pay for half of one camp fee, per child, in our congregation. Please fill out an application and mail it in with your half, or give to Lorie and she will mail it in along with the churches portion. If you choose to mail yours in, just be sure and let her know, so she can mail the other half.

Church Lunch Need

We are in need of Dr. Pepper, Root Beer, Coke, Mountain Dew and Sprite for the Friday Lunches. (No diet pop, please) Please place donations in the kitchen.

Ladies Unity Team

Meets today after morning services in the Fellowship Hall. For more information see Patty Booker.

Gran Gran Song Service

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

“Can-Do” Cancer Support Group
 Meets Monday at 6:30pm in the Parlor.

Thank You

Dear Church Family, thank you so much for all your calls, cards and prayers. The surgery went well! We are truly blessed to be a part of this church family. Thank you! Love, James and Irma Bartodej

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Thank you all for the outpouring of prayers, cards, calls, visits and goodies after my recent surgery. We are truly blessed to have such a loving, caring church family. God has answered our prayers and more with an extremely successful surgery and smooth recovery. Thank you all! In Christ, Stuart and Vonda Stephens

VBS July 13th - 16th!

Items needed. Basket provided in the foyer See Sherri Marcotte for questions. Pickle Jar Lids, FUZE Plastic Bottles, Plastic Liquid Measuring Cups, Large Ceramic Floor Tiles, Spray Water Bottles, Detergent Boxes with Handles on Top. (No more water bottles, please)

Praise and Thanksgiving

Chad Bakke, grandson of Bob and Joise Smith, was baptized last week.

Westview Boys Home Fishing Trip

The Garners are out in the foyer today collecting money and people to sign up to help with this year's Westview Boys' Home Fishing Trip on Saturday, May 2nd. We had such a great time last year and hope to have many more join in the fun this year! See Amber for details (or with donations for prizes)!

NAMI Support Group

Meets Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Parlor.

Special Olympics

Is in need of bottled water. If you would like to donate to this cause, see Brad May. Water needed by Sunday, May 10th.



**This Week's
Pantry Need**

Breakfast Cereal, Oatmeal and Rice
 (please place in basket in foyer)