

Carol Armstrong needs rides to church; Sunnyside area. Please contact her @ (559) 453-0375
2012 S. Willow #4
Fresno, CA. 93727

Special thank you to the family that delivered the wonderful gift basket at Christmas time. The gifts made by the children was especially great! I love you all,
Dorothy Allen

Welcome and add to your church directory:
Priscilla Bravo
10159 N Price Ave
Fresno, CA 93730 994-3070
Priscilla is Olga Owens' daughter.

Vanessa Richardson
1640 Beverly
Clovis, CA 93611 765-4608
Vanessa is Tom Salter's niece.

Change of Address:
Matt & Casie Reddell
2852 15th Ct
Kingsburg, CA 93631

Jeanette Burns
499 Chablis Ave
Madera, CA 93637 974-1810

| Sunday, January 23, 2011 | | |
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| Today's Worship Schedule _____ | | |
| Song | 67 | For the Beauty of the Earth |
| Call to Worship | | Tim Parish |
| Song | 162 | All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name |
| Prayer | | Don Edwards |
| Song | On Screen | Jesus, Name Above All Names |
| | 386 | He Loves Me |
| | 332 | Lead Me to Calvary |
| Communion | | Greg Ruland |
| Song | 615 | He Keeps Me Singing <i>(No Children's Worship Today)</i> |
| Sermon | | "Jesus Makes the Difference: A Man and His Money" Mark 10.17-22 Tim Parish |
| Song | 945 | Kneel at the Cross |
| Closing Prayer | | Jeff Smith |

Sunday Evening Services 5 pm

"Who is God? Elohim"
Genesis 1.1-4 Tim Parish

VISITORS

Out of Town: Shantavias Hollins, Madera, CA; Lila Jimenez, Selma, CA; Judy & Carl Fawcett, Las Vegas

Local: Niesha Whitelow, Dwight & Michelle Smith, Gracie Gamez, Paul & Shelley Moreno, Edward Gray, Veronica Rayfield, Precious Declouette, Daniel Hendrix, Melissa Martinez

**Attendance: AM 806 Class 418 Sunday Night 211
Wed Night Study 278 Thursday Bible Study 23**

Weekly Contribution: \$11,206 Weekly Budget: \$13,314



ANNOUNCEMENTS



All Ladies are invited to a baby shower for **Erin Holland** Today @ 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come celebrate this time with Erin. She is registered at **Babies R Us**.



Food Pantry Needs

We have had many requests for food items recently. Please help restock our pantry with the following:
Canned meats, canned fruits, or vegetables.
Thank you for your help!

Attention:

If you have borrowed Sunset International DVDs, please contact Stephen Powers. Thank you

Would you like to hear that sermon again? **Now YOU CAN.** Sermons are available on our website www.wpcoc.com Click on Church News. Be sure and tell a friend or neighbor.

No Children's Worship Schedule



PRAYER REQUESTS

Coming forward Sunday: Diane Lee, Vanessa Richardson, Chanelle Snowden



Rodessa Jones— Please pray for my sister Linda Jones who lives in Oakland, that she makes the right decisions in her life. Pray that I stay more focused on my school and homework. Also my internship at community hospital. It is going great.

Cheryl & Cedric Rowe— Thank you Lord for your grace and mercy. Please remember to keep my father in your prayers he is in the hospital. Also pray for Willie and Arnold that the Lord will keep them safe and that they will surrender their life to him.

Angel Carrillo— Thank you Lord for answering my prayers. My older brother is going to be coming home in February. Everything went well and I know it was you who intervened, I love you Lord. You are so great.

Vipul Rai—Praise God! Back to teaching once again at the IRS. God kept his promises during the challenging period of unemployment. Yes, He cares!!

Jeanetha Henderson— Thank you Lord for the Church of Christ YBC camp for taking my daughter Tyra in. I pray that the kids will maintain their spiritual light after they return from YBC and spread your word to those they come across. Continue to bless my walk with you Lord. Amen.

Matthew Peterson— Pray for my family. Also pray that I get a job.

Peggy Nevins— Jerry is doing better. Thank you so much for all your phone calls and prayers.

Ed Taylor—I am really enjoying the sermon podcasts. I listen to them on my drive to work and it helps center and prioritize my day. Thank you.

Ethel Gumm— Please pray for Paul Jones, he has muscular dystrophy. He is my son's father-in-law.

Russell Basye— My mother Ruth Wallace is in Sierra Vista Health Center, 1716 S Cedar Room 119. South of Butler. Short term care.

Mark Latham—Please pray for Mike Zimmerman that he can leave the alcohol behind him and return to church and the positive support group that we all have here.

Elsie Troxell—Don is still having pain in his left leg with the cellulites, but able to walk with a cane. He sees his cancer doctor Wed to get results from his Pet scan. Keep praying for him. Thank you for the cards.

Dorothy Ramirez—My dad is in Fresno Comm Hospital gravely ill with pneumonia and esophageal cancer. Please pray for comfort and salvation.

Bradley Watkins— Pray for Cameron Reddell to have a good birthday. He is actually turning 11 on the 14th. Yeah!!!

Cameron Reddell— Please pray for Bradley Watkins to have a good birthday. He is turning 10.

Roy Hightower— Keep me in your prayers, my situation is still the same, pray the God shows me the way and gives me what I need to make it through the hard times.

Fredrick Goodrich—Pray for the men at the House on the Rock. Thanks to brothers Cedric Rowe, Joe Boe, John Ed Clark for continuing to study with us.

Please pray for the success of the procedure on my neck artery on 1/25. Gratefully, Kenneth O'Brien

Dear church family,

My heart is so blessed to have you in my life. My thank you seems so small for the love and comfort you have shown at the loss of my dear son. It overwhelms me. I still need the prayers of the church to keep strong and to be right with our God. I thank you again, with love and God blessing to all. Frances Nelson

TIM TALK

My tenth birthday marked the first national remembrance of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. Growing up in the still-racially-divided south, this became a common joke on my birthday. I would often be wished, "Happy MLK Day!" Racist jokes were pretty typical fare. The n-word was a normal part of my vocabulary. Yet at the slightest hint that I was racist, I would immediately retreat to the safety of the fact that I had black friends, one of whom had actually been in my house. That seemed to make the jokes not seem so bad, and I thought it legitimized my arrogant attitude toward those with darker skin. Blanket statements about the lifestyle or conduct of all black people were acceptable social commentary. My friends and I had very specific labels that we would apply to any white person who dared date someone who was black. And, of course, we had terrible names for neighborhoods with a larger concentration of blacks.

But at some point in my adult life - as I recall somewhere in my college years - I came to the stark realization that racism and Christianity are not compatible. From the Word, it was so easy to see. But if you walk in something that is wrong for long enough, it begins to seem right. I am ashamed of this part of my life. Ignorance was to blame, though I do not cling to that as an excuse.

I have returned again and again to the scriptures and asked myself how any Christian could have ever been so willing to view and treat people of any race as inferior, as less-than-human. And yet many Christians were adamantly opposed to the changes brought about by the Civil Rights legislation of the mid-1960's. I still see it in many churches today. I could talk at length about what a travesty this continues to be in the church. Some have written - and truthfully - that the Sunday morning worship hour is the most segregated hour in America. This should not be. I am thankful for my Woodward Park family, which is made up of people of many races.

I invite you to the Word. Consider the following passages in the light of the Christian and racism: Genesis 1.26-27; 1 Samuel 16.7; Numbers 12; Ephesians 2.11-16; James 2.1-9; 1 John 4.20-21; Matthew 22.37-40. Read them. Consider them carefully.

Let me be clear: there is NO PLACE in the Lord's church for racism. I hope that every subsequent generation will deal with this less and less. I hope Christians will remember that, truly, "we are all one in Christ Jesus. And I pray that the church will lead the way in realizing Dr. King's dream. No matter what we have said or done before now, may these words of his never be true of us. "History will have to record that the greatest tragedy of this period of social transition was not the strident clamor of the bad people, but the appalling silence of the good people."

Until we meet again...TWP

YOUTH EVENTS

MiP: (Mornings in Prayer): 1/26 (Date Change): Next week we are going to meet with the Buchanan, North, and West students for prayer before school. We will meet at Judy's for donuts at willow and nees.

Winter Camp: 1/14-16: The Youth Group is at YBC this weekend. If you are picking your teens up at YBC please be there by 1130am. If they are riding back with someone they will return from camp by 2 this afternoon. Please be in contact with your teens to find out when they will return. Thanks

Snow Day @ Shaver: 1/29: Meet at the church building to carpool to the Shaver church. Bring extra clothes and a sack lunch.

Sunday, 2/6 Devo @ the Venkatesan's 5 pm. Guys bring chips & sodas; girls bring desserts.

Saturday, 2/12 Girls' Valentine Party @ the White's. See Cynthia or Sheryl Davis for more info.

We have more copies of the family reading schedule on the Welcome Center. You can also find the schedule on the website. I would love to hear comments about how the schedule is working for your family (email or facebook).

For more Youth Group info, check out these websites:

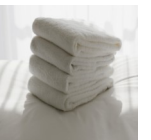
wpcoc.com: we will have a coming events powerpoint link
yofrizz.blogspot.com: Dates and times with youth group updates

GOD SQUAD News _____

February 12 - snow trip to Shaver
Bring your own lunch
March 6 - Flower pot decorating
More info to come

Lanell Mendez had surgery on her broken ankle last Tuesday.

If you have been or would like to help with the laundering of the baptismal towels, please contact **Leslie Schott @ 392-5019**. Thank you.



COMING EVENTS

01/23/2011— Baby Shower (Erin Holland)
01/26/2011— PrimeTime Dinner (Fried Chicken)
01/30/2010— Guest Speaker (Behailu)