

**GOD SQUAD NEWS**  
Sunday January 29 immediately following classes we will meet in the fellowship hall. Please bring a sack lunch or run and grab something. We will eat together and then make Valentines for the children at WestCare. Supplies will be provided. Thanks.

| <b>Sunday, January 22, 2012</b>       |            |  |
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| <b>Today's Worship Schedule</b> _____ |            |  |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>296</i> | <i>We Have Come Into His House</i>                                     |
| <i>Call to Worship</i>                |            | <i>Joe Boe</i>   |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>155</i> | <i>Highest Place</i>   |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>47</i>  | <i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>  |
| <i>Prayer</i>                         |            | <i>Justin Flint</i>  |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>121</i> | <i>Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing</i>                                  |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>122</i> | <i>The Love of God</i>   |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>18</i>  | <i>Faithful Love</i>   |
| <i>Communion</i>                      |            | <i>Gabe Bacus</i>  |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>548</i> | <i>The Lily of the Valley</i><br><i>(No Children's Worship)</i>        |
| <i>Sermon</i>                         |            | <i>Love Jesus, Hate Religion???</i><br><i>James 1.26-27 Tim Parish</i> |
| <i>Song</i>                           | <i>560</i> | <i>Living by Faith</i>   |
| <i>Closing Prayer</i>                 |            | <i>Jeff Smith</i>  |

**Attention: All Deacons**  
**Deacon's Meeting Planned**  
**Today, January 22 4 pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

**Sunday Evening Services 5 pm**  
**Study of the Holy Spirit Tim Parish**

## VISITORS

**Out of Town:** Don & Belva Bare, Madera, CA; Kathy Davis, Sacramento, CA; Sam & Carol Pafford, Dos Palos, CA; Glenn & Margaret Greenville, Las Vegas, NV

**Local:** Jennifer & Rylee Rickert, James Barboza, Enrique Lopez, Mary Miller

**Attendance: AM 652 Class 395 Sunday Night 228 Wednesday Bible Study 376 Thursday AM 23**

**Weekly Contribution: \$9,361 Weekly Budget: \$13,350**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for bringing me a beautiful Christmas basket with all kinds of goodies.

Love, Opal McCurry



We have a member in need of a queen size bed frame, dresser & night stand. Contact Cedric if you can help.

## Leadership classes started this past week, you are still on time to join us!

- TUESDAYS, 5-7 pm, "The Christian Home - Leading To Stronger Marriages and Families"
- THURSDAYS, 5-7 pm, "The Leader as a Teacher - How to Effectively Teach the Word of God"

Classes take place in the conference room (115) or you can take them online at your own pace.

Note: There's a \$25 fee per class.

## COMING EVENTS

1/25/2012—PrimeTime—Broc/Cheese or Tortilla Soup, Salad & Sandwich w/dessert

February, 19-22, 2012—Keith Parker

March 16-18th—Family Seminar with Lonnie Jones

NO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP TODAY



Welcome Guests

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Coming forward Sunday: Deven & Samantha Glenn



Rodessa Jones— Please keep in me in prayer, I have to appeal my financial aid for school this semester, so I continue to receive funding for school and federal work study. Pray for me!!! I am having panic attacks and stressing out a lot. I have been scared and confused. Prayers for my family. Jesus Christ will see me through, I know God is able!!!

Cedric & Cheryl Rowe— Thank you God for your grace and mercy. Pray that we all stay focused on God's will as we go through our trials and tribulations. Thank you.

Jeanetha Henderson— Please continue to pray for Lorry Boe. I am praying to be content, whatever the circumstances and to rejoice as Paul did, knowing that Jehovah will supply my needs. Also by the grace of God, I am 15 days smoke free. Sisters and brothers please pray for me a much needed job. God's will be done on my behalf. Prayer for my sister Gayla that the pain be healed.

Don & Elise Troxell— Don will have chemo Wed. Thank you for all your prayers, cards, and love.

Jessica Pacheco— I am happy to let you know that this past week I got the call that I've been waiting for and I start work on the 23rd of Jan. Yeah!!! Thank you again for the prayers, Father thank you for Cedric Rowe and his time to take us to the Spanish convention, we appreciate it so much.

Mariah Bishe— Pray that I can start to have a relationship with my father soon.

Linda Vermilya— Prayers needed for my son Brian and his family. Pray that God will work in their lives for good.

Al & Neva Krikorian— Al and I appreciate the cards, prayers and words of comfort at the passing of Al's nephew, Randy Schmidt.

Steve & Hilda Stoll— Please continue to pray for 7 year old Austin. He has stage 4 cancer and will be starting chemo soon.

Joe Boe— Pray for Lorry and Betty Rossi (mother).

LaVerne Callaway— Thank you for the prayers for my son Garland, he is doing good. Thank you.

Stan & Karen— Our little Angel Storm is at Valley Children's, she is very sick with strep. She's very dehydrated. Please keep Jackie and Angel in your prayers. Pray for a speedy recovery. Thank you.

Robert & Evie Gonzales— Praise God for answered prayers for our sons. Thank you all for your prayers. The mercy and love God has for us is huge.

Kathy Davis— Pray for my mother and family for the recent passing on my



Jean Male

I came here looking for medical help and have been impressed by the welcome I have received by the church. I have been an active member of the Church of Christ for over 70 years and have worked in several different locations in Texas, New Mexico, Monte Vista, and Colorado. Now I am limited as to what I can do, but I am anxious to do what I can.

Sincerely, Jean Male

## TIM TALK

*I hope you were here last Sunday night as we began an in-depth study of the Holy Spirit. We will be continuing this study for the next several Sunday nights, and I encourage you to be a part of this with us! The following article on the Holy Spirit being proof that a Christian's hope is real was written by David Shannon (Colton's dad). I thought it worth sharing. Until we meet again...TWP*

**Real, Non-Disappointing Hope: The Proof is in the Holy Spirit!** God the Father, God the Son, and God, the Spirit make up the Trinity. God the Spirit is often the neglected member of the Godhead in our study and perhaps even in appreciation. Yet Paul doesn't neglect the Spirit as He often writes of His power and involvement in the lives of Christians. In [Romans 5](#), he offers the Spirit as a part of the source of our hope. Let's see the tremendous hope we have offered from this "Helper" ([Romans 8:26](#)). [Take a moment to read Romans 5.1-5] Hope is a strong, powerful gift from the Spirit of God, offered to Christians. It causes us to have the courage to continue and the optimism to faithfully move forward.

Through Jesus we can have peace with God (5.1). Life without peace erodes hope! We are at peace because of our hope in God who we glorify (5.2). This hope (in God) has taught us to also glory during difficult and painful times. The opportunity to endure is only because of God and will even move us closer to Him (5.3)! Perseverance isn't a quality of man, but of God. We glory in the opportunity to find this attribute of God in our lives. We know that when we persevere, character is being constructed in our lives (5.4). Character isn't proven or tempered until it has passed through trials without wavering. A life which has accomplished this is evident of a Power higher than man - this life reflects God! Man doesn't glory in trials or persevere or build character-God does! The man who gives himself over to God ([Matthew 16:24](#)) can then and only then experience the hope of God (5.4)! The cost of denying self to have hope is a high price, is it worth it? Paul boldly and gratefully states, "Now hope does not disappoint" (5.5).

You and I will never face eternity regretting we persevered with God-hope never disappoints! Do you need proof? What about an earnest payment to reinforce His promise? Will God put down a payment of a few hundred dollars? Will He give a beautiful sunrise to you and then say, "now believe me?" There are many ways we can see the power of God and the fulfillment of His powerful promises, but here Paul goes back to the earnest of the Holy Spirit given to us! How much does God love me? How does He prove His love abounds? The proof or earnest payment was the gift of His Spirit.

Read verse 5 again. The gift of the Holy Spirit proves His abounding love. When God says something radical like, "glory in tribulations," He proves He isn't setting you up for disappointment, for He sent His Helper-The Holy Spirit! Now will you glory in tribulations?

## YOUTH EVENTS

### This Week:

**MiP: Kingsburg:** 1/24: Meet at Starbucks in Kingsburg at 715am

### Next Week:

MiP: Immanuel: 1/31: Meet at Reedley Starbucks at 715am

### Future:

**Family Devo @ the Venkatesans:** 2/5: 4pm: Bring sides, sodas, and desserts

**Sweethearts Dinner:** 2/13: 5pm: Everyone is invited to a meal provided by the United Parents and Youth Ministries.

**Fresno Monsters:** 2/17: 7pm: Cost:\$3: Meet at WPCOC at 615pm and car pool to Selland Arena

For more Youth Group info, check out these websites:

**wpcoc.com:** you can find all coming events here  
**yofrizz.blogspot.com:** Dates and times with youth group updates

If you are on facebook: Join our group **WPYG** for updates.

We have a need for a regular size bed (frame, box springs and mattress). Please see Cedric if you can help.

## HOUSE on the ROCK MINISTRY



### Men's Transitional Living

Please sign up to prepare a Friday night meal for the men at the House on the Rock. There is a calendar at the Welcome Center.

The elders have sadly accepted the resignation of Perry Young as a deacon.

In an effort to make our Church Directories as current as possible, there are postcards on the Welcome Center for your convenience. If you no longer have a home phone and we still have one listed in our directory, please take a moment and make that correction with a contact number for your family, along with any other corrections or additions. Place this card in the slot available for CD requests.

*Thank you for your help!*