

Placed Membership:

**Craig & Donna Ervin
Kaeleigh-19, Gage-16, Abbey-12, and
Trevor-11
1120 N DeWitt
Clovis, CA 93611 298-4822
Lived in Virginia and Colorado.
Welcome to this new family!**

and He added to their number . . .

Please keep in prayer Glenda Hause's brother, Johnny Mohler. He is a Christian living in Shelly, Idaho who suffered a severe heart attack last Sunday. His condition is complicated because he is diabetic. Glenda's brother from Clovis recently passed away.

Sunday, December 12, 2010		
Today's Worship Schedule _____		
Song	679	'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus
Call to Worship		Ken Perry
Song	On Screen	Faithful Love
	469	Faith Is The Victory
Prayer		Ken Perry
Song	57	Great Is Thy Faithfulness
	586	My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Communion		Loren Lee
Song	560	Living By Faith
		<i>(Dismiss for Children's Worship Today)</i>
Sermon		"So What About Santa?"
		1 Corinthians 9.19-23 Tim Parish
Song	452	Standing on the Promises
Closing Prayer		Jeff Smith

Sunday Evening Services 5 pm

Glad To Be A Scrooge!

Mark 14.66-72 Tim Parish

VISITORS

Out of Town: Jay, Mandy, Ethan & Hailey Cline, Vera Beach, FL; Lisa, Wyatt & Ben Adamson, Sacramento, CA; Seth & Sarah Ford, Ivanhoe, CA

Local: Sina Christensen, Monica Qujada


**Attendance: AM 734 Class 491 Sunday Night 279
Wed Night Study 369 Thursday Bible Study 23**

Mission Contribution: \$84,540 Weekly Budget: \$13,314

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To:
All The Cooks and Helpers of Sunday Night's Holiday Dinner

THANK YOU for all the hard work that was obviously put forth to prepare such a delightful evening. We had such a wonderful time!



Wilma Kennedy was hospitalize after her condition worsened over the weekend. Pray for Wilma and Norm and her doctors and nurses.

Wedding Shower Today
All ladies are invited to a wedding shower for **Valerie Mercer** (the daughter of Wade and Debbie Mercer). Please come and celebrate this time with Valerie.




Time: 2:00 pm
Where: Fellowship Hall
When: December 12, 2010

Valerie is registered at Walmart and Bed, Bath, & Beyond. Any questions please contact Sheryl Davis 960-4404.

Children's Worship Schedule

2's & 3's— Virginia Salter
K-2nd Grade— John & Pam Etherton
Puppets— Jenna Cliff & Allie Knutsen




PRAYER REQUESTS

Coming forward Sunday: Liliana Leon, Angel Gaytan (visitor), Jordan Houston, Angel Carrillo, Don Troxell, Stephanie Dennis



Fredrick Goodrich—Thank the Lord for who He is! Let's continue to worship God in our daily lives.

Jeanetha Henderson—Thank you for the gift of your living spirit within me that guides me daily. Your will be done always.

Nicke Whitelow—Please pray for the health of family and friends and for my faith in God, may it grow stronger every day.

MD Partain—Diana Bennett is still sick and needs your prayers.

Elsie Troxell—Praise God. The Dr called with a good report after viewing the cat scan. The tumor has shrunk or it may be scar tissue. The Pet scan will show what it really is. Don takes this test in 2 weeks. Keep praying for him. Thank you.

Lanell Mendes—Pray for me and my family here at church.

Rodessa Jones—Please pray for my sister, Charlotte. She is caring for my dad in rehab. Pray for her family and mine.

Dana and Tim Parish have our love, prayers and support this week.

Angel Carrillo—Lord, I pray for wisdom. I need strength to deal with my son. Please pray for him that he will be healed of the things I put him through in my past. I love you Lord.

Jerry Nevins—Peggy is improving.

Cheryl Rowe—Continue to keep praying for the lost. Keep me in prayers for my health. Thank you.

Virginia Garcia—With you in my heart, my days are brighter even when things aren't so good, they're good. Thank you for loving me, Lord.

Glenna Gamme!—I got certified for painting Apts this week. Thanks for the holiday food.

Marilynn Garcia—Lord, I want to give thanks for all the many blessings you have blessed us with for thanksgiving and our lives you have touched with the generosity of the brothers and sisters that did the work to allow us a blessed Friday. Thank you.

Jessica Pacheco—Thank you, Lord for blessing me even when I feel I don't deserve it and sometimes do see it. I know you are always there just by the way things go.

Debbie Sharp—has a torn muscle or tendon that may need repair.

"By their fruits you shall know them."

NEED for Household Goods:
Microwave for House on the Rock
Stove, Refrigerator, TV

If you can help, please call Cedric Rowe 367-8586

If you would like to send a birthday card to **AIM student-Kalen Berry**. Her birthday is December 27th.
PO Box 32317, Summerstrand 6019, Port Elizabeth, South Africa.

Kalen is the daughter of James and Julie Berry and grand-daughter of our Dean & Julie Berry.

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.

TIM TALK

My whole life I have watched the conflict between secular and spiritual forces at Christmas. And many in our brotherhood have struggled with how to handle the holiday. On one hand, we don't have "book, chapter and verse" for the celebration of Jesus' birth. On the other hand, there are around one hundred verses that detail His miraculous conception and birth in the New Testament. These are preceded by numerous prophecies (I counted at least 11 different ones) concerning His birth. It is obvious that God thought it was an important part of the story of Jesus.

Through much prayer and study, I have come to the conclusion that it doesn't have to be one or the other. While I don't think we need to have a "Happy Birthday Jesus" cake on the stage, we are foolish to ignore this opportunity to share Jesus with people who so badly need Him. It is the time when we can begin with the manger, look to the cross, find the empty tomb and point people to the Christ who will come again. One author put it this way:

The story of how God's love was enfolded is the most important message in all of human history. The story of a baby, shepherds, and Wise Men is important because it is true. It is history with theological content. It is setting into motion the purpose of God from eternity past to reconcile humans to himself through the one who is both God and man.

For me, a "white Christmas" is less a snow-covered December 25 than the vision of human uncleanness washed white by Jesus' blood. It is inviting men and women to come to Christ for new life, hope, and empowerment. It is an appeal for weary, discouraged, and despairing souls to come in their defilement to find a love great enough to give them a reason to live.

The "Christmas spirit" is kindness and compassion, forgiveness and love. It is giving these priceless gifts to others because they have already been given to us. It was not a man in a red suit who brought them. It was a baby born in a manger - a baby who grew up and became strong enough to carry a cross to a hill on the outskirts of Jerusalem.

I have included an insert in the bulletin this week that I hope will help you with your own handling of Christmas. It was written by the late Reuel Lemmons, long-time editor of "The Firm Foundation." I have read these words many times and they always helped me focus my attention and my heart on the Christ of Christmas. May they do the same for you.

Remember the words of Paul, here from a modern paraphrase: "Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way." (Colossians 3.17) Let the light of Jesus shine through you this Christmas, and glorify Him with what you do!
Until we meet again...TWP

YOUTH EVENTS

Mornings in Prayer: M.I.P. (Mornings in Prayer): One day a week in the mornings this fall we are going to meet for prayer before school. I need to talk to our home school families and work with your schedules to see what day this week is good for you. If your teens are home schooled please make a special effort to get them to breakfast for a great way to start the school day!

TONIGHT! Devo/ Christmas Party @ the Knutsens:
12/12: Guys bring drinks, girls bring desserts and a \$5 gift for the gift exchange. Make sure to dress warmly for the walk through the neighborhood.

Ice Skating: 12/17: \$10, Meet at Gateway Ice Center at 7pm:
Address: 2473 N Marks Ave, Fresno

Combined Devo w/ 11th,12th/College Age: 12/19: We will meet at the Frizzells

Winter Camp Meeting: 12/19: After evening worship. If you plan to be a part of our winter camp (Jan. 14-16) Please be at this meeting so we can discuss the theme and responsibilities for the weekend at YBC.

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 _____

December 12 After evening services
Come with us to stroll Candy Cane Lane. Dress warmly!!

December 31 New Year's Eve Party at the building with youth group 8 pm—12:30 am Bring snack food and a favorite game! Look for sign up list on God Squad board.
See **Brent & Shannan** or **Gabe & Erin** for more details

Class Changes
Starting December 5th on Wednesdays 7:00 pm and Sundays 10:30 am there will be a new class solely for 2 year olds. They will meet in the nursery/cradle roll room. The 3 year old class will resume as normal in Room 102. Thank you. If you have any questions please contact Carrie Stumpfhauser.

COMING EVENTS

12/14/2010— Singles Luncheon
12/15/2010— PrimeTime Dinner—Baked Lasagna
12/21/2010—NO PrimeTime Dinner
12/29/2010—NO PrimeTime Dinner