

Welcome back to the Butz family,

Steven & Christina Butz
Brianna, Hailey, Christa, Joshua,
Caden & Brooklyn
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They have rededicated their commitment to serve the Lord.

Dear Church Family,

We thank you so very much for all of the special prayers for my son, Rex Porterfield and our family. For all of the hugs, visits, beautiful cards and plants, we thank you.

Thank you to all who attended the memorial service and for your continued prayers and hugs. God Bless,
Georgia Murphy and Family

Sunday, April 28, 2013

Today's Worship Schedule _____

Song 831 *Let Me Live Close To Thee*

Call to Worship *Ken Perry*

Prayer *Leon Young*

Song *Lord, I Lift Your Name On High*

Song 650 *Send The Light*

Song *Light The Fire*

Song 662 *All to Jesus I Surrender*

Communion *Steve Stoll*

Song *Days of Elijah*
(Dismiss Children for Children's Worship)

Sermon *"Knowing Him: The Battle of the Seven C's"*

Matt Phillips

Song 417 *Where He Leads I'll Follow*

Closing Prayer *Jeff Young*

Sunday Evening Services

Joe Boe

VISITORS

Out of Town: Billie & Wilton Lock, Tehachapi, CA; Grant & Carrie Williams, San Marino, CA; Corben Williams, San Marino, CA;



Local: Whitney Melton, CJ Grover, Lee Banks, Precious Thurman, Ryan Hancock, Mick Davies, Don Bonett

Attendance: AM 753 Class 496 Sunday Night 197
Wednesday Night 378 Thursday Bible Study 25

Weekly Contribution: \$11,564 **Weekly Budget:** \$13,350

ANNOUNCEMENTS

17th ANNUAL LADIES DAY
SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013

Flyers Available at the Welcome Center

GUEST SPEAKER:

Becky Blackson

JOY - PROVERBS 17:22

The path is not always straight.

*Mistakes need not be fatal, if Christ is your Savior.
People are more important than achievements or possession,
Christ died for the former and avoided the latter.
Be gentle with all whom you come in contact with; a gentle
Spirit is a reflection of your Lord.
Never stop doing what you care most about
And never stop caring most about Christ.
Learn to use the tools God gave you to strengthen
Your Spirit, benefit others and grow in His likeness.
If you do these things and trust in His Words...
You will have found Love.*

COMING EVENTS

Tonight—Greek Class Room 108 6 pm

4/27/13— PrimeTime Dinner — Cedric Rowe Team

May 18, 2013—Ladies Day

June 22-29—Yosemite Bible Camp

July 7-10—Vacation Bible School

July 20-26—Tahoe Family Encampment

PRAYER REQUESTS

Vincent & Stephanie Chu— Giving praise and glory to God our Father who blesses us each and everyday. Sometimes we struggle through events in life but we know that God will prevail.

Cedric & Cheryl Rowe— Lord thank you for all of your unseen activity in our lives. Love you Jesus.

Rodessa Jones— Please pray for my attitude and the words I use. God is good. I love my church family.

Glenna Gammel— Stephanie got 7th place running.

Steve & Hilda Stoll— Please pray for Johnson.

Diana Bennett— Thank you for all the prayers and cards. I am still working at physical therapy.

Kathleen Schneider— Please pray for my friend Karen, her sister is ill and in the hospital.

Al Lehnick— Please pray for Ruth-she has had the stomach flu for a few days.

Rich & Jennifer McDermott— Thank you to all who have been praying over my job. I received news this week that I am one of the finalist for the position and will be contacted soon for an interview. Please pray that the Lord will open the right door at the right time.

Kris Davis—Sheryl, Chelsea, & Chad are traveling from Southern California.

Angel Carrillo— Prayers for me to continue to grow in my Christianity and be a better servant.

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Love, the Watkins family

Are You A Werf?

I remember a lapel button that read: "I'm a Werf!" That was supposed to prompt people to ask, "What's a werf?" The wearer would then explain that werf stands for "Wide-Eyed Religious Fanatic." Supposedly, this opened the door for a discussion of the Bible. This was eons ago. I doubt that the whole scheme really worked all that well.

I confess that I am frustrated when devotion to a sports team is considered normal, but similar devotion to Jesus, His word, and His church makes you a weird-o. Knowing everything you can about your team and what happened in every game is just being a good fan (that's short for "fanatic"); but if you memorize Scripture, know the life of Jesus, and enjoy discussing it, you are a dangerous nut-case who should be watched lest you harm yourself or others!

Far be it from me to suggest that we turn our assemblies into entertainment extravaganzas where we whoop, clap, stomp, cheer, and whistle. However, we can and should express that same enthusiasm in worshipful ways: heart-felt singing, fervent prayers, thoughtful meditation, generous giving, and attentive interest in sound preaching. Just think, we wouldn't even care if the assembly went into overtime!

Neither am I suggesting that we should be obnoxious and "in-your-face" with the gospel, as some sports fans are with the praises of their favorite team or player. We can and should, however, be more bold - I'll even say aggressive - in presenting the good news of salvation. After all, nobody's relationship with God depends on the outcome of a ball game. Hearing, believing, and obeying the gospel, on the other hand, are matters of eternal consequence.

Are you a werf? I don't know about the wide-eyed part, but I hope we will be enthusiastic and bold about our faith in Christ. This much we know: in the final analysis, His team wins!
Joe Slater (Justin, TX)

Youth News

Youth Gathering



Sunday Class: Biblical Financial Study - Grady Lane
If you wish to purchase a study guide for this class, see Grady.

Wednesday Nights: Jr. High- Basic Training! - Various Teachers
High School- Various Teachers

For questions or information, please see:
Gabe Bacus, Tim Douglas, Kevin Hinton or Grady Lane

YBC 2013



Bible Camp

June 22nd-29th

Great Plans Have Been Made for Another Fabulous Week on "God's Mountain"!

Get your Applications at the Welcome Center and return into the YBC box at the Welcome Center.

Wonderful Way to Begin the Lord's Day

"Let The Bible Speak" 7 AM
"In Search of the Lord's Way" 7:30 AM
TV Channel 53 KAIL



VALLEY EVENTS _____

May 1-5th—Spiritual Growth Expo & Lectureship
West Visalia Church of Christ

June 22-28—Family Encampment Morro Bay Church of Christ

More Details available at the Welcome Center