

Turning Into Dad

Guess I figured he would live forever,

That I'd always have a place to turn,

A shoulder I could always lean on for those
lessons yet unlearned.

But good Fathers to are only mortal,
Yes, they long to rest in Jesus' arms
They want to walk the *golden streets of Heaven*,
when the vanities of earth have lost their charm.

I will treasure the high and finer things about him,
And I know, as he would have it, I will lay aside the
bad.

Of all things that I could still become...
I could do a whole lot worse than turning into Dad.

I held his hand and stroked his weary shoulders,
I leaned to kiss his cheek as he lay there.
The stillness that engulfed us in that moment
Like lifeless frozen statues...unaware.
I cannot explain it, I just knew it in my heart,
That my hero had breathed his last and
said goodbye.

We are flesh...we are spirit...It's appointed to us
once to live, and once to die.

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By Michael Clanton

Sunday, June 20, 2010

Today's Worship Schedule —

Song 989 Soon and Very Soon

Call to Worship Joe Boe

Song 286 Wonderful Story of Love

Prayer Leon Young

Song 712 Jesus is Coming Soon
337 Hallelujah! What a Savior

Communion Bruce Sharp

Song 123 The Steadfast Love of the Lord
89 Be Exalted, O God
(Dismiss Children for Children's Worship)

Sermon "A Portrait of the Greatest Father"
Luke 15 11-24 David Shannon

Song 957 This World is Not My Home

Closing Prayer Jeff Smith

Sunday Evening Services 5 pm

"Value of One"
Luke 15 1-7 David Shannon

VISITORS

Out of Town: Merle & Janice Woods, Lubbock, TX; Al & Jodi Bates, Visalia, CA; Tandalyn & Margie Szczurek, Clyde, TX; Kay Smith, Tulare, CA; David & Ellen Tostado, Lathrop, CA; Emma Scott, Petal, MS; Julia Donald, Hattiesburg, MS.

Local: Jared Dodd, Jeffery Bess

Attendance: AM 704 Class 428 Sunday Night 288
Wed Night Study 307

Weekly Contribution: \$10,376 Weekly Budget: \$13,314

Contribution YTD: \$404,993 Budget Balance YTD is: -\$6,157



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hey Kids, Sign Up at Welcome Center
Discipleship Day Camp
Ages: 4th through 8th Grades



June 21st — 23rd Monday—Wednesday

\$20 (activity costs) PLAN TO BE HERE

Children's Worship Today

2's & 3's— Sandy & Laura Liles
K-2nd grade — Ken & Bonnie Sidsworth
Puppets—Chad Davis & Tyler White



Notice: There is an elder at our building each Sunday morning by 7:30 am. If you would like to speak with an elder privately, this would be an opportune time.

Vacation Bible School

July 11-14 6-8pm

Join us on a fun adventure through Egypt with Joseph, from prison to palace.

BRING A FRIEND!!!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Responding to the invitation last Sunday:
Fred & Nawasa Scott, John & Melissa Jones, Glenna Gammel



Cheryl Rowe— Please remember to keep Rochelle in your prayers as she goes to serve those in Haiti. Also Melissa and John Jones as they go through this difficult time.
Angel Carrillo— Strengthen me so I may be a godly example for my family so I may encourage my family to come to Christ.
Elsie Christian— Thank you Lord for your love, mercy, and grace. Thank you church family for your prayers, cards, and encouragement.
Jeanetha Henderson— Thank you Father God for continuing to bless my family and opening my kids eyes and hearts to baptism. Please continue to bless my words to help guide them in your direction. Thank you Jesus.
Rodessa Jones— Praise God! I've found a doctor who will sign my paper for me to continue to ride Handy Ride (you see God does answer prayers). Also my dad walked a lot without a walker. Prayers for everyone. Please pray for John & Melissa Jones.
John & Melissa Jones— We need lots of prayer for getting our kids back from my Aunt.
Frederick Goodrich— Thank you for those responsible for providing food last Friday to the men at the House on the Rock. May God Bless you all.
Mark Isley— Praise the Lord with love, honor, and glory.
Paul Pollos— Please keep Paul in your prayers. He is in San Joaquin Gardens, room 119.
Richard Hauser—in intensive care unit at St Agnes. Pray for him and Kimberly.
Kerry & Al Avedikian— Stan Williams is home—still needs prayers from the church.
Brenda Bethel— Please keep in prayer my mother-in-law, Lois Bethel who is recovering from major back surgery at UCSF and for my husband Gary who is with her in San Francisco.
Adrian & Jessica Pacheco— Please keep us in your prayers. We are struggling with trials. Pray that our Lord stays with us. Thank you and God bless our church family.
Larry Cooley— Glad to be back to church. I have been working the last 3 weeks. I love my Father in my life.
Roy Hightower— I am still homeless. Pray that I get a place soon. I love this church, I feel welcome here.
David Law— Linda has not been feeling good this week. Pray that they can find a solution to a medical problem Tues. at her doctor appt. Pray that my next door neighbor's knee and heart problems can be solved by the doctor.
Glenna Gammel— I fell and hurt my back and left knee. I took x-rays and do not know the results yet, but I am in a lot of pain.
Rhonda Day— Pray for a coworker and her family who are struggling with a family members drug addiction.
Diana Bennett— M.D. Partain (my dad) fell yesterday but no broken bones, just a lot of pain.
Dean & Flora Andrews— Dean was able to be at worship today. Thank you Lord.
Robert & Evie Gonzales— Keep in prayers all prodigal sons and daughters that have fallen away. Also pray for strength, courage, wisdom, and perseverance in our lives. Always put God first and less of me. Praise God.
Edwin Hendrix— Please keep my mother, Lavern Hendrix in your prayers. She is not doing well. She is at a Alzheimer's Living Center at Elm & Bullard between First and Fresno St. Room 36B
Lester James— Pray that Dottie will be better and return to church.
Jeannie Fox— Jeannie is home sick with whooping cough. Please keep her in your prayers.
Frances Nelson—Fell this week hitting her head. She is bruised and sore, treated in ER and released to go home.

"Workers for the Kingdom in Firebaugh"



Dear church family,

We'll move to Firebaugh in the following days and we are amazed by how God has provided for our needs through you. We have received more than we asked or imagined and each thing you have donated to us will serve to reach the lost souls in and around Firebaugh. Keep praying for our ministry and the readjustment that will take place in the following weeks.

Again, we thank God for your loving concern for us and your generous hospitality.

May the grace of God be with you,
The Gamez family – César, Ixchel & Simei

YOUTH EVENTS

Discipleship Day Camp: 6/21-23: 9am- 2pm: We need our youth group to volunteer as mentors for this week. We will be having a bible study, service time, and mentor time plus afternoon activities: Boomers, Cal Skate, and a movie. \$20 will cover your whole week!

Fresno Fun Fridays (F.F.F): 6/24(Actually a Thurs):
Fresno Fuego: On Friday nights this summer we will be going somewhere together just to enjoy fellowship. Most of these events will be between \$5 and \$10. Bring a friend!

Yosemite Bible Camp: 6/27-7/3: A great spiritually charged week in one of the most awe-inspiring locations in the country. Most definitely the best week of the year! For more info contact Mike Avedikian.

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

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

COMING EVENTS

6/21-6/23/10 Discipleship Day Camp w/Andy & Colton
9am- 2pm: We need our youth group to volunteer as mentors for this week. We will be having a bible study, service time, and mentor time plus afternoon activities: Boomers, Cal Skate, and a movie. \$20 will cover your whole week!

6/26/10-7/3/10 Yosemite Bible Camp — Oakhurst

7/11-14/10 Vacation Bible School

7/24-30/10 Tahoe Family Encampment

9/22-26/10 Spiritual Growth Workshop 2010



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Monday Class Session & Boomers
Tuesday Service Session & CalSkate
Wednesday Service Session & Movie

Come to learn and have a good time!