

We are a church with one mission: to grow followers of Jesus through grateful worship, genuine community, and generous service to each other and our world. We believe by loving God and loving people we can have an impact that really matters, and would like to tell you more about that. If you are interested in being a part of what God is doing with us, or just have some questions, **fill out the contact card** or ask the person next to you. **Please feel free to call or email too if you have any questions.**

FAMILY NEWS AND NOTES

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GOD'S FAMILY TIMES

BIBLE CLASSES
Building—9:30 am Sunday

WORSHIP
Building—10:30 am Sunday

GROWTH GROUPS
Grose's -- 6 p.m. Sunday
Irwin's -- 6 p.m. Sunday

BIBLE CLASSES
Building—7 pm Wednesday

Family Weekend: THIS Saturday and Sunday Feb 4th and 5th. Many committed in November to be a part of this weekend of edification for the church family. (See bulletin board) Please add your name to the original sign-up sheet if you plan to attend and did not sign up in November.

We will be having **lunch together for Family Weekend** and sharing the responsibility of providing food items for that day. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you can serve the family in this way.

Family Covered Dish Dinner: Sunday February 12th after services.

Congregational Meeting: Tuesday February 14th at 7 p.m.

Family Game Night: Friday February 17th at 6 p.m. at the building. Bring your favorite game. Pizza and drinks will be provided.

Dinner Before Class: Wednesday February 22nd at 6 p.m.

2017 sign-up sheets for communion preparation and organizer for Wednesday night meals are posted on the bulletin board. Please consider serving in one of these two ways. We are going to need **March and April** filled immediately. Also other months are still available!!

Happy Birthday

1/29 June Peffer
2/3 Abbey Chi
2/5 Gail Gromley
2/14 Charles Shields
2/23 Sally Duriez
2/25 Jason Canose

Happy Anniversary

2/6 Dave & Sharon Mack

Announcements for family news can be written on the back of an attendance card and placed in the collection basket or a hand written note can be given to

Doug, Paula, or CJ.

FAMILY MATTERS

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January 29 2017

Family Weekend!

It's finally here! This week we will be graced with the presence of my dear friend, Dr. Stanley Helton. Stan and I went to Oklahoma Christian years ago, and as a fellow student he challenged me—spiritually, theologically, and intellectually. He has always been both a friend and a mentor. I am glad he will be with us and I am sure you will think the same.

Stan has a D.Minn from Abilene Christian University and a PhD from New Orleans Baptist Seminary. He currently serves as President of Alberta Bible College in Calgary, AB Canada.

The theme for Stan's lessons will be "**Learning to Live in Exile**".

Saturday February 4th

10 AM: Informal Gathering with Muffins and Coffee downstairs

11 AM: Session One
"**From Exile to Exile—God's Story in the Hebrew Bible.**"

12:30 PM: Soup Luncheon downstairs

1:30 PM: Session 2
"**The Rhythm of Exile: Orientation, Disorientation, and Reorientation.**"

Sunday February 5th

AM Bible Class: "**God Does His Best Work When His People Are in Exile.**"

Sermon: "**Embracing Our Status as Strangers and Exiles in 1 Peter.**"

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Nathan Irwin and family as they are in Lyon, France for language training, and for the direction of the Lord in their search for new teammates, a place to settle and a purpose for their mission among the Muslim world.
- For Mary Fasanya's asylum request to be granted and for the girls as they are in the USA without their husband and father. Also for Ezekiel as he is in Nigeria without his wife and daughters.
- For Mayleen Niehenke's visa approval to come to the United States from the Philippines and for a sponsor so that the procedure can be quickly expedited.
- George Brown, Louanne Brown's brother, who is at the Veterans' Hospital in Pittsburgh being treated for depression. He is doing better and is to be discharged before the end of January.
- Bill Tonkin who is at Indiana Square Personal Care Home, 1703 Warren Road. Lois says cards and visits are always welcome.
- Wayne, Abbey Chi's uncle, who is in a Florida hospital with cardiac problems.
- Jason Canose for healing. Thanksgivings that he is now at home recuperating.
- Louanne Brown for healing of her vision in her right eye which has been impeded by at least 50%. Also for peace and acceptance that the eye may never get back to "normal" since it is no better or worse at this time.
- Nick Ruffner, John & Gail Gromley's step grandson, who had another round of chemo in his treatment for leukemia in January.
- Emma Sesock's back pain has improved with physical therapy. Praise God!
- Nancy Sinclair for relief of the pain suffered from a previously fractured back.
- Winifred Redinger, Vera Brown's sister-in-law, who is doing much better and is now at home. A caregiver enables her to be at home instead of at a nursing home.
- Kathrine, Lin & Jo Broadway's (former members) daughter-in-law, who has been diagnosed with cancer and anticipating surgery in February.
- Janet Anoyke's mother in Ghana who recently suffered a stroke.
- The family of Greg Douglass, friend of Trina Flamm, for comfort on his passing the week of January 15th.
- Jay Stenman, Louanne Brown's husband, who suffered a concussion the week of January 15th.
- Hailynn Magas has been diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. Pray that the family's lives can learn and adjust to a new diet and insulin testing and injections.

Prayer requests can be added to the family prayer

Stan is also planning on doing some leadership talks/training with us. More information for that will be provided. There will also be opportunities for you to host Stan for a lunch or dinner. He is only here for a short time, so these are limited. But if you are interested, please sign up for a time/meal on the bulletin board.

A few more items:

--I have been asked, 'May we bring our family and friends from other churches and church backgrounds?' The answer is a resounding "Yes!"

--'Is the Saturday Luncheon open to everyone?' That also is a resounding "Yes." But we need you and any invited guests to sign up for the luncheon so that we know how many will attend and that we have enough food. While 5 loaves and 2 fish were enough for Jesus, we might have some difficulty stretching things out too much. So please sign up for yourself and any invited friends.

Stan will be with us from Feb. 2-7. Please be posted for information on any other activities we will have. We are trying to keep things both structured, but also 'loose and open' for other possibilities.

I am excited and eager to be stirred, encouraged, and challenged by Stan's thought-provoking messages. I pray that you will be blessed.

Sermon for Jan. 29, 2017:
"I Did It My Way"
Judges 17-18