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Church of Christ Northwest
Where Friends Learn
to Live Like Jesus

January 21,
2018



Sunday
9:30 AM
Bible Study
(all ages)

Sunday
10:30 AM
Worship Service

Tuesday Morning
Men's Bible
Study
7:30 AM
@ Kennedy's

Wednesday Morning
Galena Park
Bible Study
10-11:30 AM
David Spillman

Wednesday
Evening:
Small Groups
@ 6:30 PM

- ◆ Campbell's:
Believe: What
Do I Believe?
- ◆ Haines':
Ephesians — What
Jesus Coming to
our Worlds Means
- ◆ Kennedy's:
Religious
Traditions

Thursday Morning
Ladies' Bible Class
"Wait and See"
Join us: 2/8, 2/22,
3/8, 3/22, 4/5, 4/19
@ 9:30-11AM

ESL CLASSES
by appointment only!

Beauty and
majestic splendor
were surely in the
eyes of our
Creator!

Our Vision...

is to glorify and
honor our Lord
and God with our
lives, by bringing
people to Christ
and membership
in His family and
by helping to
develop Christ-
like maturity in
each member,
equipping them
for service in the
church and in the
world.

**Special
Ministry
Food
Pantry**

**Next Date:
Feb. 13, 2018**

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"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse." Romans 1:20 (NIV)

MISSION MILESTONES

2018 Nicaragua Mission Trip

We are planning for the 2018 Nicaragua Mission Trip. The trip will be similar to last year's trip. The dates are May 31 - Jun 09. Please let Nate Gardner know if you are interested in going.

Kingdom Kids Sponsors

Don't forget to write your sponsor child this month! Sending a letter is simple through the Kingdom Kids website where you can simply fill out a form and press send! <http://www.misionparacristo.com/kingdom-kids>
You can even attach a picture to be sent to your child.

Topic for January: Winter Season (Genesis 1:14; Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

Tell about our cold and snowy season - the children in Nicaragua have never experienced snow. Send a picture of snow in/around your home. Tell about some of the activities your family does in this season. Ask about the weather where your sponsored child lives. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Nate Gardner.



MEN—SIGN UP BY JANUARY 28TH

No Regrets Men's Conference

February 2, 2018: 6-9 PM
Dinner here at the building

February 3, 2018: 8 AM-5 PM
The Conference will be held at
Bethany Baptist in Peoria. The cost is
\$15 (which includes lunch) to be paid
to the church.



Pictured left is **Blessed Pukeni** and pictured below is **Lawrencia Simbweede**. Both of these Zambian students are beginning their senior year of high school this month. They attend Namwianga Christian High School.

Each are active members of JETS (Junior Engineers, Technicians and Scientists). Both actively teach in the church and participate in sports.

They desperately need sponsors to help them attain a high school degree from NCHS. Their education will help them lead others to Christ.

They can't do it without financial help!

Please consider donating to their sponsorship. Checks are to be payable to the church. Please note "Zambia Sponsorship" on the memo line.

**Their
combined
tuition is
\$3,840.**

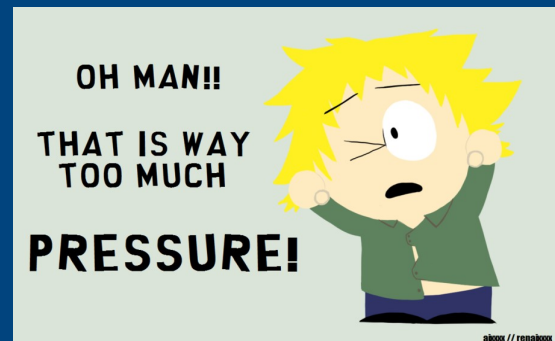
**UNDER PRESSURE . . . by David W. Spillman**

The late musician David Bowie had a hit song many years ago titled, *Under Pressure*. For many of us, those words "under pressure" are more than just the title of a song, but seems to be the anthem describing our lives. Work issues, demands of family, job searches, money shortages, automobile repairs, health concerns, and just trying to figure out what is going on in our country...all of these and many others have us feeling under pressure.

What normally is our recourse of action when our lives are running over with situations, circumstances and people who are continually exerting pressure? Do we find ourselves running away from any of these pressure cookers? Do we go into a denial phase where we ignore what is going on around us as, if somehow that will make things better? Do we self-medicate using over-the-counter drugs that dull our senses or do we turn to alcohol to escape?

Look at these Words from James that the Holy Spirit breathed into him; "For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So, let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing" (James 1:3-4 NLT). What does God tell us to do when our faith is tested, when we are feeling pressure from so many angles? God tells us to endure! Instead of trying to wiggle our way away from pressure, He tells us to stay put and allow our faith to grow! This is how we become people of God who have a strong faith, a faith that completes us to where we need nothing but God, regardless of what comes our way!

Action point: Next time you find yourself in the pressure cooker, instead of calling on others to pray that God will rescue you from it, have others pray for your endurance, so you can see where it is God is wanting to grow you.

**OPPORTUNITY TO TOUR THE HOLY LANDS**

Take a trip to the Holy Lands and see the sites that will make the Bible come alive. Join David and Beverly North of the Memorial Road Church of Christ in Oklahoma City on tour to Egypt, Israel and Jordan, and enjoy experiences that will enhance your Bible knowledge and grow your faith. The tour departs on April 28th and returns on May 14th (2018).

For more information you may visit **www.northtravels.com** or email David North at **david.b.north@gmail.com**. The Norths have hosted a number of trips to the Holy Lands.

Walt Koch recovering from hernia surgery. **Gene Muehring** recovering from lung surgery. **Meg Hipp** recovering from colon/intestinal surgery. **Grady Thompson** has pneumonia. **Connie Burton** recovering from a surgical procedure to remove melanoma on her leg. **Vince Doak's mother** — fluid on lungs. **Delores Dancer** (Joyce Taylor's sister) recovering from surgery — gall bladder cancer — now beginning chemo treatments. **Mark Hall** (Galena Park Bible study group) still in Kindred Hospital waiting to be transferred to a nursing home and very despondent. **Connie Carlson** has been under the weather. **Connie Schiele** — hurt her ankle. **Pat Haines** still in a lot of pain but home. **Valerie Schreck** (Fern Baker's friend's daughter; Leanna Flanagan's classmate) diagnosed with cancer and now suffering from a recent fall.. **Judy Schaeffer** (Gr. Aunt of Meyers grandchildren) stage 4 cancer—beginning chemo. treatments.

Shut-Ins: M. L. Judkins, Texie Ray, and Eleanor Richey.

Our mother-to-be: Kristina Routh.

Our military. Our nation as it struggles with many issues. **Our president, judges & elected officials**—wisdom to make Godly decisions. **Our police** as they struggle to do their job. **Unsaved souls** (you supply the names). **Those who have left the fold** and need a helping hand to find their way home. **Our college students.** **Our enemies.** **Our VBS 2018!** **Those being persecuted** for being Christians. **Those who persecute others** — may their hearts be changed! **Our young!**

Those Traveling. Those dealing with the aftermath of the hurricanes (Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and other Atlantic islands) and western U.S. fires. **Victims/Families** of random acts of violence and terrorism.

Praises/Updates: P. Haines nephew Jerry Mason, Jr. — cancer free!

**Jan 21st—Phillip Bumbalough
& Robert Windell**

Jan 23rd—Ruby Bell

**Jan 25th—Anna Campbell
& Karen Lovell**

**Jan 26th—Wendelle Haines,
Sadie Moreland &
David Spillman**

Jan 27th—Paul Baker



**Jan 27th
Jeff & Norma Goble**



All ladies are invited to join us for....

"WAIT and SEE: A Six-Session Study on Waiting Well"
by Wendy Pope

When: every other Thursday, beginning February 8th.
(2/8, 2/22, 3/8, 3/22, 4/5, 4/19)

Where: COCNW Fellowship Hall

Time: 9:30-11am

Cost: \$10 for participant guide

There is NO homework & NO outside reading!



EXTENDED PRAYER LISTING

Jerry & Deb Bane	Members	Lung Cancer/Memory
Carries 8-yr old son	Friend of C. Schiele	Terminal Illness
Rick Clark	C. DeVore's brother	Liver/Colon Cancer
Shirley Darnell	Former Member	Serious Eye Problems
Scott Eisenbarth	Kyle's brother	Liver & Lung Cancer
Pat Haines	Member	Lupus
Mark Hall	GPark Bible Study	Severe Depression
Mary Lou Judkins	Member	Under hospice care
Walt Koch	Member	Parkinson's/Hernia
Gene Muehring	Member	Lung Cancer
Lynn Molleck	Friend of N. Goble	Stage 4 Cancer
Lori Prichard	T&R Prichard's daughter	Conversion disorder
Josh Retzer	Grandson of B/C Sunkin	Addiction
Ken Roberts	K. Lovell's father	Alzheimer's
Curt Sparks	B. Juers' brother	Ankylosis spondylitis
Carol Sunkin	Member	Shoulder/Back
Trish Veytia	Member	Depression

Hearts on Fire Calendar

- ◆ 01/21: LTC Practice (1–4 PM)
Singing @ Campbells (5–7 PM)
- ◆ 01/28: LTC Practice (1–3:30 PM)
South Side (4–6 PM)



All Adults Invited to a Sweetheart Dinner!

Date: Friday, February 16th

Time: 7pm -9pm (dinner served at 7:15pm)

Location: Monte Cristo Room

Located in the Kaufman Center in Germantown Hills

Just 10 minutes from Peoria

383 Old Germantown Rd, Suite A

Germantown Hills, IL 61548

Cost: \$35 per couple, \$15 single

Join us for a great evening of delicious Italian food, fun, and laughter!

Sign up on the bulletin board today!!



SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

ADULTS—AUDITORIUM
BREAKTHROUGH: Unleashing God's Power into Impossible Situations—Chip Ingram
 Terry Hargrove, Facilitator

"Ability is what you're capable of doing.

Motivation determines what you do.

Attitude determines how well you do it."

Lou Holtz

Did you know that all the coinage received in the collection tray make up dollars/cents that are given directly to Shultz-Lewis?



Giving Changes Everything!

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

		Last Wk.	Year-to-Date
2018 Budget	\$	5,000	\$ 10,000
2018 Contribution	\$	3,459	\$ 7,191

Attendance

Bible Study

10:30 Worship Service

EEM To Date

Bergner's Booklets

Zambia Orphans' Education

\$1,920/HS student (2)
 Needed for 2018 = \$3,840.00

Shults-Lewis Children's Home

Coins in the weekly contribution +
 \$10 of each Dining Tour Book!!!

Jan 14

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\$ 19,928

\$ 2,458

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Challenge: Pray daily for our entire church family (by name).

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Lee DenBraber

Children Sing

Songs: Can You Count the Stars? (pg. 992)
 I Know That My Redeemer Lives (pg. 528)

Communion: Douglas Staley
 Ryan Martin, Rick Meyers, Elston Rasbury, Phillip Staley

Offering

Songs: It Is Well with My Soul (pg. 490)
 Come, Thou Almighty King (pg. 19)

Scripture Reader: Sam Fritz (Daniel 5:1-12);
 Dean Kennedy (Daniel 5:13-31)

Speaker: David W. Spillman
 An Audience of One

Song: A Wonderful Savior (pg. 508)

Hearts on Fire Announcements: Ryan Martin

Shepherd's Time: Terry McWhirter

Song: This World Is Not My Home (pg. 957)

Greeter: Teresa Hargrove

Facilitator: Terry Hargrove

Nursery Attendant: Kristin Campbell

Communion Preparation: Marcie Gardner

Jan 21st — Financial Peace (6-7:30 PM)
 Jan 28th — Financial Peace (6-7:30 PM)
 Feb 2nd — Men's Retreat (6-9 PM)
 Feb 3rd — Men's No Regret Conference (8 AM– 5 PM)
 Feb 11th — Financial Peace (6-7:30 PM)
 Feb 13th — Pantry (12:30-2 PM)
 Feb 18th — Financial Peace (6-7:30 PM)



Elders

Dean Kennedy

Terry McWhirter
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Allen Neese

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 Tom Flanagan
 Nate Gardner
 Terry Hargrove
 Rick Meyers
 Alan Moreland

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**Please
 Turn off Your
 Mobile Phones**

See something that needs to be fixed — leaky faucet, broken window, dirty air vent, etc.? Please report it to the office for BaGG (Building and Grounds Group) to place on their list.