

## "Christianity in Boulder City"

"Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you... and pray to the Lord on its behalf; for in its welfare you will have welfare." Jeremiah 29:7

As some of you know, we have a clergy group in Boulder City known as the Boulder City Ministerial Association. We meet at various church facilities on the third Thursday morning of every month. One month just the pastors and clergy and chaplains meet (from our church that is usually Bob Nycek and John Ritenour plus me). The next Sunday other church staff also are invited to join in (which includes Don Scott). At each of our meetings we spend a half hour in prayer for our community, its leaders, and our churches.

The churches which participate have been fairly evangelical in their theological persuasion. Together we have sponsored a National Day of Prayer event each year. We have a joint Thanksgiving service. Occasionally we have done other projects together. The new Methodist pastor in town came to our recent meeting. The Assembly of God Church is currently without a permanent pastor. Hope Baptist has a part-time pastor. Pastor Shawn Brooks and his wife have recently started a church plant on Industrial Road called Red Rock Chapel. They are involved in the Christian Church denomination.

A recent development for which our pastors have prayed for a number of years is that our police department has acquired two chaplains. These are volunteers from a group called Messages of Faith Ministry. They are spending Fridays with our local officers, seeking to get to know them. Chief chaplain Michael Thrower comes from a Baptist Church background, and fellow chaplain Michael Creelman is a member of Canyon Ridge Church. We pastors participated in their swearing in ceremony at the city hall this past month. The two chaplains have promised to participate in our monthly meetings.

Our church and Calvary Chapel jointly sponsor a Good News Bible Club at Andrew Mitchell Elementary School on Wednesday afternoons during the school year. Attendance at that program has gradually grown over the years. Christian Center and Christ Lutheran both sponsor preschool programs at their facility. Grace Community Church has Grace Academy for elementary age children. None of our churches in BC have an especially strong youth program. That is definitely an area that needs prayer.

The most recent demographic figures show that of the various religious groups in our community Roman Catholics are the largest, followed by the Mormons. We evangelical pastors pray that the true Gospel might make larger inroads into our community. We would do well to follow the example of Jeremiah who communicated directions from the Lord in his day to pray for the welfare of the community in which God's people lived. The biggest need of our fellow neighbors is to know Jesus Christ by trusting in Him.

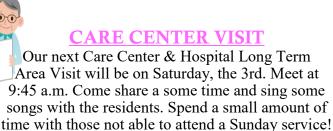
Pastor Kurt



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| Sun                      | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri                                | Sat   |
|                          |     |     |     | 1   | 2                                  | 3 Care Center<br>Visit 9:45 a.m.<br>Back to school<br>event-10 am |
| 4<br>Promotion<br>Sunday | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9<br>Elders'<br>Meeting<br>12 p.m. | 10  |
| 11                       | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16                                 | 17 Women's<br>Taco's &<br>Testimonies<br>11 am                    |
| 18                       | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23                                 | 24  |
| 25                       | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29  | 30                                 | 31  |

Bethany's 2019 budget is based on receiving offerings averaging \$23,610.48 each month. Year to date budget requirement is \$165,272.80. Year to date giving, thru July, totals \$163,238.00. The difference is (\$2,034.80).







Event in Emmaus Hall Saturday August 3rd @ 10am For grade school kids

## WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday: Prayer Time - 9:15 a.m. Worship Service - 10 a.m. Sunday School - 11:15 a.m. Bible Study - 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer Meeting - 7:30 a.m. Praise Team Practice - 5:30 p.m. Thursday: Ladies Bible Study- 6:00 p.m. Saturday: Men's Group - 7 a.m.

## **August Birthdays**

- 5<sup>th</sup> Debbie Oliver
- 7<sup>th</sup> Janet Street
- 8<sup>th</sup> Frances Mayfield
- 10<sup>th</sup> Nate Crawford
- 11<sup>th</sup> Ralph Nelson
- 18<sup>th</sup> Suzy Hedlund
- 19<sup>th</sup> Jay Grandberry
- 21<sup>st</sup> Melba Wood
- 24<sup>th</sup> Cecil Forcum John Williams
- 27<sup>th</sup> Verna Miller
- 29<sup>th</sup> Pat Amon Sharon Peterson
- 30<sup>th</sup> Mick Casey

## August Anniversaries

- 5<sup>th</sup> John & Debbie Barth
- 8<sup>th</sup> Jerry & Lois Wood
- 8<sup>th</sup> Samuel & DeeDee Buchanan



Back to School Event August 3rd @ 10:00 am - 12:30 pm Ralph Breaks the Internet



Ladies 3rd Saturday Fellowship

Tacos & Testimonies

Saturday, August 17, 2019

1 1:00- 1:00

Please sign up to bring your favorite taco topping.



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