

## Climbing Trees

by Mark Hammitt Weber Road church of Christ Corpus Christi, Texas

I was a tree climber! I loved to climb trees when I was young and there is nothing like ascending a tree (I grew up in Michigan) that is 40 feet or more above the ground. I remember climbing as high as I could so that I could look down on two or three story homes around the neighborhood. It was a lot of fun and an enjoyment I must have passed on to my boys because they also like climbing trees, although the 15 foot "South Texas" trees shouldn't count!

To the chagrin of most adults, I've always encouraged my boys to climb. It's ingrained in them to be careful, to only pick big, healthy branches to climb on, and to not be afraid of heights. It's caused a few extra heart beats over the years, but fortunately, no injuries have occurred in our "family" tree climbing experiences.

How many enjoyments do your children have which came from you? It could be kind of food, television show, style of clothing, sports team, or something else in life. What are you passing on to your sons and daughters?

Let's get to the spiritual questions. What enjoyments are you passing on to your children spiritually? Will they share in your love for God, His people, and His Word? Will they learn to enjoy their time in worship like you do? Will they learn to establish friendships with fellow Christians like their mother and father? Will they look back on their childhood with fond memories of being a Christian because mom and dad lived out their faith every day? Looking back, I can answer "yes" to all those questions as they relate to my mom and dad. I'm sure many of you could say the same.

Paul encouraged the Philippians, "*Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern.*" (Phil 3:17) Peter wrote, "*For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps.*" (1 Pet 2:21). Paul also wrote to young Timothy words that can apply to all of us as well: "*Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*" (1 Tim 4:12)

You don't have to be a tree climbing enthusiast, but you must be a faithful and devoted Christian. Pass on your Christian light to your children and to those who look up to you as an example. Love and serve the Lord every day!

## NEWSLETTER

July 16, 2023

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We seek to be a place of healing and worship.

## Schedule of Services

*Our current schedule is:*

Sunday Bible Class 10-10:45 AM  
Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM

*La Salle*  
church of Christ

*We Meet At*  
1121 N. Military Rd.  
Niagara Falls, NY 14304  
Phone (716) 283-1214

**Our Website:** [lasallechurchofchrist.org](http://lasallechurchofchrist.org)

Please check the website for bulletins,  
*House to House Heart to Heart* magazine,  
and other things.



### We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you). We would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in one of the receptacles provided at the front and rear of the auditorium. There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



*There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.*



We offer a **free** Bible Correspondence Course

Read God's Word

**Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent. Thank you.**

**Condolences** to Goldie Crow and family on the passing of her son Will Bucci on June 19. Contributions to help with funeral costs may be made at Otto Redanz on Military Rd. Please see the posting in the back.

**Prayers** *In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.*

*Please pray as we continue our search for a gospel preacher.*

*Let's pray for the situation in the Ukraine and surrounding areas.*

Let's keep the following in our prayers...

**Roger Mapes, Marge Reed, Bill Kinney, Jessica Alcorn, and Frank Marsden.**

**Candy Butcher** is now home recuperating.

**Jessica Alcorn** She was scheduled for surgery July 11<sup>th</sup> but it has been delayed.

**Denise Garlitz** is dealing with swelling and pain in her leg.

**Michael & Hope Rice** Let's pray for them as they deal with struggles in their life, and also Hope's mom.

**Carlos & Shawna Martinez** Let's pray for them as they deal with struggles in their life.

**Rick Fees** is home recovering from rotator cuff surgery on Thursday.

**Donnie**, Jim Mellott's son, is recuperating at home dealing with a torn stomach lining.

**Robb & Jamari**, neighbors of Rodney & Carol Jones, are dealing with struggles in their lives.

**Johnny Martinez**, brother of Carlos Martinez, suffered a stroke May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Let's keep him and his loved ones in our prayers.

**Phoebe**, Louella Hopkins' great-granddaughter, came home from the hospital on Friday July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Dan Callari**, from Amherst congregation, is dealing with some health issues.

**Marietta McArthur** (Ray McArthur's mother). Let's keep her in our prayers as she deals with health issues.

**Lisa**, Richard Wheeler's sister, is in a rehab facility in Newfane.

**Linda**, Marge and Nancy's sister in GA, is recovering from a broken shoulder and dealing with health issues.

**Glen Mueller** He is the preacher at the Sardinia church of Christ. Let's keep him and Edna in our prayers.

**Jewel Klausner**, mother in law of Wayne & Sherry Carter's son Jason, is having issues with cancer again.

Rick & Fran Fees' 5 yr old neighbor suffered severe burns after falling into a fire pit visiting his grandparents in Ohio.

**Upcoming Events** *(Lord willing)*

**Jul. 16 Today.** Men's Business Meeting

**Jul. 16-22** ~~Camp Agape~~ *Canceled*

**Jul. 22** Niagara Falls church of Christ *Ladies Day.*  
Please see posting.

**Jul. 30** Potter Children's Home  
**Day of Prayer and Giving For Children**

**Aug. 13-16** Niagara Falls church of Christ  
*Homecoming & Gospel Mtg.*  
Please see posting.

Weekly Budget Amount \$1,843.00

Contribution Last Sunday \$1,710.00

Attendance Last Sunday 52

Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes are posted in the back.

**Order of Worship**

Song

Call to Worship

Song

Opening Prayer

Song

Sermon

Song of Invitation

Song before Communion

Communion

Announcements

Song

Closing Prayer



Pray



Potter Children's Home and Family Ministries  
**Day of Prayer & Giving For Children**

July 30, 2023



**Notice**

Camp Agape 2023, which would have begun today, has been canceled.

**Thank You** card ... Please see the *Thank You* card posted in the back from Lisa Wheeler.

**Mission Info**

Please check the *Mission Board* in the back.

**Ukraine Relief**

John Kachelman, Jr. Cell (901) 626-4538 john@kachelman.com https://kachelman.com

**For updated reports go to John's website and click on the tab for Mission Work.**

**Philippines**

Caleb Callari with his wife Vanessa and family are doing mission work in the Philippines.

Caleb & Vanessa Callari

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Radio Program .... "Everyday Follower" can be found on YouTube.

Do a search on youtube.com for "School of National Evangelism Philippines."

**Zambia**

The LaSalle congregation has been involved in the Zambia mission work for many years.

If you would like to help support the Zambian Mission, please place funds in the offering basket marked for Zambia. More information may be found at [www.zambiamission.org](http://www.zambiamission.org)

Matthew 19:14

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*