

Family Matters

Church of Christ • Bayfield, Colorado

February 25, 2007



We have room for four more couples in our Dynamic Marriage course starting Thursday. We need to know today if you want to take it as materials will be shipped tomorrow. Talk to Gene if you are ready to take steps for your own Dynamic Marriage.

Well known educator Carl Brecheen, co-founder of Marriage Enrichment Seminar, has said, “. . . it is the strongest medicine for marriages that we have ever seen experienced. Its unique design gives it the ability to raise the level of good marriages and rescue marriages on the brink of disaster. I believe this interactive course is the nearest thing available to a solution to the divorce rate.”

Joe Beam, President of Family Dynamics, says, “Everyone looks at life differently and all of these different ideas and feelings affect a marriage. We teach people how to have a healthy marriage. Our goal is not just to educate, but to change behavior. We teach people to actually apply what they learn. We tell the couples that take this class, ‘Give us eight weeks, and we’ll give you a Dynamic Marriage,’ because that is what will happen.”

Daily Bible Reading

	New Testament	Old Testament
Sunday	Acts 16:25-17:9	Psalms 6-7
Monday	Acts 17:10-31	Psalms 8-9
Tuesday	Acts 17:32-18:17	Psalms 10-12
Wednesday	Acts 18:18-19:12	Psalms 13-16
Thursday	Acts 19:13-41	Psalm 17
Friday	Acts 20:1-16	Psalm 18
Saturday	Acts 20:17-38	Psalms 19-21

Prayer Concerns



If you have someone in the prayer concerns, please take one of the yellow cards and write an update on the back so we will know how each are progressing and if they still need on the list. Put in the collection plate.

NEW

- LaVonne had surgery on her shoulder last Wednesday.
- Clariece Huddleston, Linda E.'s grandmother, has severe cellulites.
- Jessica Hill's grandmother, complications after surgery

CANCER

- Leroy Beaver
- Clarence's dad
- Dan McClure's daughter, Sam
- Gene's mother, Terecia
- Debbie Brown's sister, Tammy
- Ginger's brother-in-law, Earl Peterson
- Stan Williams
- Mike H.'s mother, Fern

OTHER ILLNESSES

- Tim Ragan, friend of Ron & Mac
- Jason & Kate White
- Linda Burton
- Shannon-pneumonia
- Kenneth McCoy
- Wanda's daughter, Judy
- Duane Odom's sister, Durice
- Jeannie Schmidt's mother, Patty Riecke-lung disease
- Tyler Yager
- Justin Watt's-lung problem
- Harry & Ruth Mortimer
- Angela Westbrook
- Harold Fair (back surgery)
- Jodi's friend, Ashley
- Monty's grandmother, Nadine Ford
- Gladys' friend, Janie Tubbs
- Gladys' friend, Mary Ann Adams

- Brian Wells, Sandra's son (kidney transplant)
- Darren Cowger
- Hannah's great granddaughter (kidney)
- Eugene Westbrook
- Traci Bartalo
- Twilla's sister-in-law's sister
- Ginger's granddaughter, Ginny
- Cameron Lora (stomach attacks)
- Carolynne's cousin, Hewey

VARIOUS NEEDS

- Doug's aunt & uncle, Frank & JoAnn Layman
- Brian Young-jail
- Jessica Hill
- Hall Branch
- Wayne Culbreth
- Linda Manley's brother-in-law, David Grey
- Linda Manley's brother, Larry
- Ryan Lopez
- Brian, Alisha, and Jeremy
- Juanita
- Ruth Sutherland
- Howard and Lucile

PREGNANCIES

- Ginger's niece, Karen
- Jeri's sister, Jaki
- Jessica Pennington
- Desiree Speaker

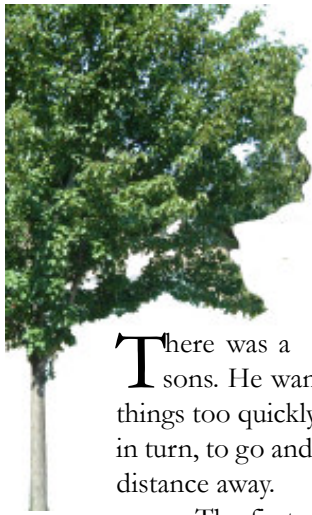
MILITARY

- Dylan (Iraq)
- Matthew Laas (Iraq)
- Bob and Sue Deitz grandson, Andrew
- David Van Tassel (Afghanistan)

Activities



- The Serenity Group (Spiritual Recovery Fellowship) meets Monday evenings at 7:00 downstairs in the main building.
- Ladies' Night Out will be Monday, Feb. 26 in the Family Building at 6:30. If you would like to help with the supper, talk to Jodi. Jodi will be teaching us how to make necklaces. Please sign the sheet in the foyer so she will know how many supplies to buy and what color you would like. There will be a \$5.00 charge which you can give Jodi now or at the party.
- Ladies' Bible Class Tuesday morning 9:30-11:00 in The Family Building.
- Wednesday Night Meals 6:00 in the Family Building. This week will be breakfast. \$3.00 per person
- Potluck and business meetings next Sunday.



One Season Will Give Way to Another

There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn not to judge things too quickly. So he sent them each on a quest, in turn, to go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away.

The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in the summer, and the youngest son in the fall. When they had all gone and come back, he called them together to describe what they had seen.

The eldest son dismissed the tree and said that it was ugly, bent, and twisted. The second son said, "Not so, it was covered with green buds and full of promise." The third son disagreed; he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful—it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen. The last son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment.

The father then explained to his sons that they were all right, because they had each seen but only one season in the tree's life. He told them that you cannot judge a tree, or more importantly a person, by only one season, and that the essence of who they are and the pleasure, joy, and love that come from that life can only be measured at the end, when all the seasons have passed. He told his sons, "If you give up when it is winter, you will miss the promise of your spring, the beauty of your summer, and the fulfillment of your fall. Don't let the pain of one season destroy the joy of all the rest. Don't judge life by one difficult season. Persevere through the difficult patches and better times are sure to come."

—Author Unknown
via the Cortez Weekly Update

Last chance to get into the Dynamic Marriage Course. We have room for four more couples. Guys, I don't know of anything you could give your wife that will have as great an impact on your marriage as your willingness to focus on her for eight weeks. Let me know today if you want to participate.



Chapin's Corner

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Our sermon this morning is from the first few verses of Romans 6. Our groups will expand the discussion into the rest of the chapter. This is one of my favorite chapters in the Bible. It is also a very challenging one. Sometimes when I read it I have an initial reaction similar to the Jews of John 8:33. As Jesus was speaking to them about being set free by the truth and they responded, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone." OK, they could believe that if they wanted, but it was not the truth. Jesus tells them, "Everyone who sins is a slave to sin."

Paul offers encouragement to the people he had just pointedly called sinners that they really had a choice. Like Jesus, Paul calls people caught up in sin (everyone) a slave to sin. But with Jesus, there is another choice. We do not have to have sin as our master. We can choose to obey and become a slave of righteousness. In 6:23 the wages of sin is death. Not a comforting outcome of serving that master. On the other hand if we are in Christ we have eternal life as our gift from God. Let's see . . . which master do I want?

A faith response mentioned in this section is that of being baptized. Paul says that we were baptized "into Christ." As a result we are no longer slaves of sin. Sounds pretty good doesn't it? Now that we are in Christ, we choose to follow Christ (obey), consequently sin does not have control of us. "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life," 6:22.

We need to monitor our allegiance. If we are not growing in holiness, we are serving the wrong master. Let's choose God.
—Love, Gene

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Sunday:

Bible Classes 9:00 A.M.
Worship 10:00 A.M.
Worship 6:00 P.M.

Tuesday:

Ladies Bible Class . 10:00 A.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7:00 P.M.
Devotional 7:45 P.M.

Servants

For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. (2 Corinthians 4:5, NIV)

Elders

Harvey Cundiff 884-9074
Ian Fair 259-4781
Mark Huffmyer 884-9884

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Monty Cundiff 884-1363
Dick Holway 884-9103
Ron Penning 884-7175
Lance Taylor 883-2374

Minister

Gene Chapin 884-9280
Doug Hooten 884-2549

Small Groups

	LOCATION	LEADERS
Group 1	Auditorium	Frank Van Tassel & Harvey Cundiff
Group 2	Moyers' 308 E. East St.	Bart Moyers & David Ebert
Group 3	Hately's 4040 CR 509	Mike Hately & J. Paul Brown
Group 4	Family Building (teens)	Doug Hooten & Mark Huffmyer
Group 5	Melinda Cundiff's (Young Adults) 2253 CR 516	Doug Hooten & Gene Chapin (This group meets at noon)