

Minister's Message



I spent part of last week at a conference in Lubbock, Texas. One of the major speakers was a poet named Naomi Shihab Nye.

In one of her poems, "Kindness," the poet recounts her honeymoon trip to South America. She and her new husband were robbed on a bus trip of everything. Soon after, their bus came upon a man who had recently been killed. His body lay by the side of the road:

"Before you know what kindness really is you must lose things, feel the future dissolve in a moment like salt in a weakened broth." You can read the full poem online.

The poem seems to suggest that you can't truly experience human kindness until you have experienced the pain of human sorrow.

We are quick to move from

problem to solution. It's the productive thing to do. Sitting around in misery

feels very unhelpful.

In the book of Job, Job's three friends didn't behave in a very good light. They lectured Job and falsely accused him of things he didn't do. But before this, they had a shining moment. They sat with him silently for 7 days (2:11-13). Their silence was the right response.

We don't move from pain to kindness by moving at all. We move to kindness by fully embracing the pain of our lives. By being honest about sorrow, we open our lives to others. By sitting in our pain long enough, we open our lives to knowing the joy of human kindness.

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Welcome! If you're **visiting** with us today, please give us your name & basic information on *the card below*. **Tear it off and place it in the offering basket** later in the service. We invite you to experience God's grace among us and to think about joining this fellowship of believers.

Name(s): _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Prayer Request: _____

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People, Times & Places

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FOR THE RECORD

Attendance
Worship (6/2) 185
Bible Class 103

Contribution Report
Last Week (6/2) \$ 12,047
Weekly Average \$ 9,090
Weekly Budget \$ 9,454

WEEKLY ASSEMBLY

9:00 AM

SUNDAY CLASSES

10:40—11:30

Adults

Teacher: **Ellery Ellis** Rm 405
5 Bits of Dynamite: The Bible's Smallest Books
May 26 — June 30

Teacher: **Darla Mason** Rm 411
Living & Growing in Grace: A Study of Peter
June 2—30

Teacher: **Dale Drury** Rm 700
A Study of First Corinthians
April 7—June 30

Youth Group

Jr. High & High School Rm 600

Kids' Classes — aka *Uptown*

(10:20-11:30)
Nursery Rm 303
Space for Moms Rm 306
Pre-School—Grade 6 500 Wing

Nursery

Our nursery, for children up to 30 months, is available during worship and classes in **Room 303**.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TUESDAY

Ladies Bible Class

Resumes September 2019

WEDNESDAY

Men's Breakfast

Resumes September 2019

Wednesday Night Dinner

Resumes September 2019



The College Church of Christ exists to encourage & equip Christ-followers as they live out the mission of God in their homes, schools, work-places, and neighborhoods.

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13:20-21)

After the sermon, we have a Time of Response. Folks are available to visit or pray with you. You can respond by moving to the edge of the worship center.

This Morning's Order of Worship

Call to Worship

*I Will Change Your Name
In the Name of the Lord
Had It Not Been the Lord
Salvation Belongs to Our God
We Will Feast*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Time of Prayer

Offering

Scripture Reading

*Blessed Be Your Name
O Praise the Name*

Church News & Prayer for Illumination

Message ~ Jason Locke,
"When God Pours Out the Spirit"

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessing

Preschool children can be taken to the foyer during the final song, just before the blessing. Their teachers will meet them and lead them to their classes.

June 9, 2019

Who We're Praying For...

Church Member Updates:

Marlyssa Mecchi requests prayers for safe travels (Oklahoma & Texas). **Terry Cowger** asks us to keep praying for **Larry**: praise for his positive attitude & concern that his swallowing ability would return so that he can enjoy food again.

Cassandra Stafford asks prayers for her daughter **Tyffanie Robinson**: traveling mercies for her current birthday trip to Chicago.

Pat McKinzie asks us to pray for **Daryl**. He is stuck in Texas with a broken-down tractor trailer.

Brian MacDougall is starting treatment for Hep C, and he's also still struggling with some heart issues.

Athena Mack asks us for prayer: healing, health, forgiveness & love.

Carlotta Wint had a procedure yesterday in San Francisco. She should return home today.

Sue Smith is still at Clovis Community Hospital. She was admitted due to experiencing blood loss once again.

Ongoing:

Stephen Shelley, Jack Gross, Marge Howie, Arthur & Carlotta Wint, Carolyn Wilson, Alice & Jay Farris, Florence Bedoian, John Jacobo, Al Ramirez, Alicia Rivera, Gloria Chisley, Pam Caples & mother Verlene Burns

Extended Family News:

Dennis Soliday's (ex)wife **Suzanne** has had a number of health issues in the past two weeks. Please pray for stable health.

Evelyn Howe rejoices that her daughter **Kim Sani** is doing well.

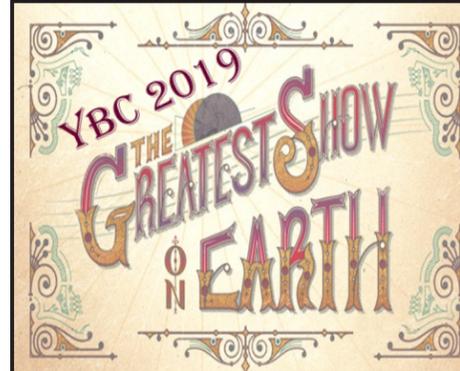
Tom Agrava shared the news that **Billy Glover** was recently promoted to team leader in his Rescue Mission program. Billy wants us to pray that he'll successfully complete his program.

Modesta Cuevas requests prayer for **Daniel Cuevas**: that he would seek to understand Jesus.



Second Sunday
SHABACH
Friendship
Join us tonight!
6 p.m.
College Church of Christ Worship Center

Activities, Events & Church News



YBC SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

July 14—20

Register ASAP! Camp is filling up fast! As of June 1, fees have increased by \$50.

If you have any questions, contact **Tannon Pafford @ 559-970-1816**

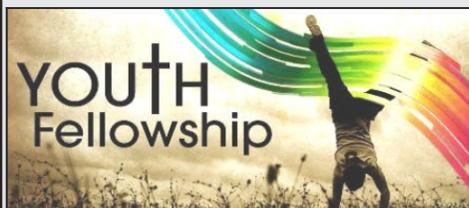


6/9 TODAY: Camp Staff Meeting; Shabach
7/14-20 Summer Church Camp



Yosemite Bible Camp Staff Meeting TODAY!

Sunday, June 9
11:45 a.m. — 12:45 p.m.
College Church of Christ Auditorium



Today @ 10:40 a.m.

IMPACT class time ~ Youth Room
Welcoming Our New Y. G. Teens!

Tonight @ TNT 6—7 p.m.

Second Sunday Shabach

Reminders:

7/14-20 Summer Church Camp

Be Sure to Visit the Youth Board Near the Nursery!



Pregnancy Care Center's annual fundraiser event is officially underway!

- *Pick up a bottle in the foyer.
- *Fill the bottle with change.
- *Fill out the information tag.
- *Return the bottle on Father's Day.

Donations help provide free pregnancy-related services to those in our community.

Over the next couple of months, we're encouraging our church members to identify their spiritual gifts as we find ways to serve God together.

Do you know your **Spiritual Gifts?**



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One late night a doctor called his friend petrified. After his friend asked what was so wrong, the friend explained:

"During my shift a young woman was brought to the ER beaten to death. No one knew what happened to her or why. I thought I could save her. I knew I could open her chest and give the heart a massage and it would beat again."

Determined to save her, this doctor did what he thought would work, but he failed. Her heart did not accept.

After the failed attempt, the doctor turned to clean up. As he was washing his hands, he noticed a tiny nick in his finger. At that moment, a nurse approached him and told him he'd want to see the patient's belongings. She emptied a bag full of dirty drug needles and other drug paraphernalia.

The friend of the doctor asked him, "Are you telling me that such a deadly disease could be contracted through a slit in the skin the size of a paper cut?" The doctor assured him it could.

Things are not so different when it comes to our youth's minds. What may seem like a small compromise in morals, one as small as a papercut, could actually be a detrimental window to disease. Many times the infections are purposely placed into their path through things like social media.

Shielding our children's eyes alone is a shaky attempt at prevention. Building up strong minds to have courage not to compromise on their own is imperative. They must be given the tools to withstand the world when it's necessary and to exercise those muscles of integrity when they're needed... even in the littlest of things.

If you will, join me in praying for the growing integrity of our youth group this week.

June Collection Servants

Herman Leonard, Don Pierce, Brian MacDougall, Gary Pendleton, Colin Frame, Edgar Minjarez, Daryl McKinzie & Justin Sue
Coordinator: **Mike Rodriguez**

Prayer Request:

Date: 6/9/2019

Updates (Address, Phone, E-Mail):

Member Requests & Information



By Youth Minister, **Chalé Wesson**

