

#### **Prayer Requests:**

"Pray for one another" - James 5:16 -

- <u>Michael Baldasaro</u> (Wayne & Jan's son in law) successful surgery on 9/21 addressed cancer of the tonsils; has completed chemo-therapy treatments and will continue to be monitored; grateful for continued prayers for the family <sup>(i)</sup>
- <u>Louis Bureau</u> injured left shoulder at work & is gradually recovering from surgery
- <u>Josiah Carelse & Family</u> working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- <u>Diane Cote</u> left leg amputated up to the knee as a result of diabetes; now using a temporary prosthesis and undergoing prosthetic rehab; also recently had a major seizure/heart attack and is home recovering
- <u>Filomena Derecho</u> (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) numerous health issues
- <u>Reyderick Derecho</u> permanently disabled
- <u>Linda Gloman</u> colon cancer was detected in a colonoscopy; laparoscopic surgery successful; now undergoing aggressive chemotherapy
- <u>Molly Urghart</u> (mother of Wayne & Jan's granddaughter, River)- her <u>stage 4</u> esophageal cancer is growing again and is affecting other organs; now undergoing a different kind of aggressive chemotherapy; radiation will be a last resort; prayers needed and appreciated
- Please pray for *our nation* (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent *meeting place*
- Please pray for <u>those not with us today</u> the sick & suffering and those who are spiritually weak & struggling

"The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers."

 $\sim 1$  Peter 3:12  $\sim$ 

## As You Are Going

Most Christians are familiar with Jesus' marching orders to the church in what has come to be known as the Great Commission:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...." (Mt 28:19-20). But, as individuals, many seem to readily dismiss this command or make excuse by citing their inability to "go" as missionaries to faraway lands.

The Greek word translated "go" in the above text is the same word translated "as you go" in the limited commission (Mt 10:7). The word literally means "to go on one's way" (*Vine's*). In Matthew 28:19, Green's *Interlinear Greek-English New Testament* reads, "going then." So, we can better understand this command to read, "As you are going on your way, teach, make disciples...."

Jesus said of His followers that we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Mt 5:13-16). Salt influences [seasons & flavors] that which it comes into contact with. It is not responsible for seasoning what it does not come into contact with. A light illuminates its area of influence. It is not responsible for illuminating that which is outside or beyond its area of influence. So it is with you and me.

As we are going ... in the work-place, in the market-place, in our neighborhoods, etc., we are to be the salt and the light. We are to influence those around us as we reflect the love and the light of Christ to them. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Mt 5:16). As you are going ... be effective in "the sharing of your faith" (Philemon 6). As you are going ... "always be ready to give an answer to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear" (1 Pet 3:15). This is how the Lord's church grew in the first century. "Therefore, those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word!" (Acts 8:4).



There is no greater privilege afforded us in this life than to be "laborers together with God" (1 Cor 3:9) in the business of saving souls! "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise!" (Pr 11:30). But, although we may plant the seed (Lk 8:11; Jas 1:21), and others may water it, it is our gracious God who gives the increase! (1 Cor 3:5-8). "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God" (Eph 2:8). To Him belongs all the honor, glory and praise we could ever offer! (2 Cor 9:15). — Terry Schmidt  $\swarrow$ 

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

- Acts 16:30 -



Hear the Gospel - John 6:44-45; Rom 10:14,17

- Believe [trust in] God John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31 Heb 11:6
- Repent of sins Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30
- Confess Christ Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37; Rom 10:8-10
- **Be baptized** Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16; 1 Pet 3:21
- Be faithful unto death Mt 7:21; Rev 2:10



Preaching: Terry Schmidt Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

*Opening Prayer:* Jim Miller *Scripture Reading:* Louis Bureau

Lord's Supper: Wayne Sampson—lead & Jason Kennedy

Announcements & Closing Prayer: George Cuvellier

Lord's Supper Prep: Betty Schmidt

### 🙂 Welcome Visitors 🙂

We are glad you have come to worship with



us today. We want you to know that you are welcome. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions or if we can help you in any way. Also, please fill out one of our visitor's cards before you depart. Have a great week! ©

Pavid Judkins — February 17th

The LORD lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let God be exalted, the Rock of my salvation! (2 Samuel 22:47)



Last Week: 7,060 This Month: 21,414



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Attendance & Contribution

*for* January 21, 2024

Attendance — 14 Contribution — \$748

# Order of Worship

January 28, 2024

"Praise the LORD; for the LORD is good: sing praises unto His name; for it is pleasant."

🚇 - Psalm 135:3 - 🚇

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song-522

Opening Prayer: Louis Bureau

Song-332

Scripture Reading: Wayne Sampson ~ Hebrews 5:8-9 ~

Song-286

The Lord's Supper Jason Kennedy (lead) & George Cuvellier

Song-572

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt* "Five Imperatives of Salvation"

Song-644

Announcements & Closing Prayer Jim Miller

Lord's Supper Prep: Paula Kennedy

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We love Him, because He first loved us. - 1 John 4:19 -

## January 28, 2024

#### Meeting on the Lord's Day:

9:30 am — Bible Class 10:30 am — Worship

"Let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching."

- Hebrews 10:24-25 -

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