



Ladies' Corner

Nursing Home: Our next visit will be Thursday, September 25 at 9:30 am. All ladies are welcome to join us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Pot Luck Fellowship: TODAY**

September Birthdays:

28th – Bethany Boucher
30th – Red Fraser

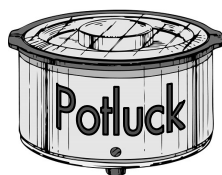
SNACKS! Sept. 21: Jan
Sept. 28: Amber

Ladies Bread Ministry
September 21: Terry K

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

Northern New England Lectures

Lakes Region Church of Christ
Tilton, NE — October 10-12



Today after services.
There's plenty for all.
Please stay for this
special time of food,
fun and fellowship!

Numbers for 9/14/14

Attendance - 23
Contribution - \$743.

Order of Worship

September 21, 2014

*"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."
- Colossians 3:16 -*

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Henry Terrill*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*

Song

The Lord's Supper:
George Nick & Tony Grant

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Brent Newton*
"What do we learn from Ephesus?"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Wayne Sampson

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Greeter: *Henry and/or Karolyn Terrill*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Jan Sampson*

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**September 21, 2014**

### Sunday Assembly Times:

9:30 am - Bible Classes for all ages  
10:30 am—Worship  
6:00—Bible Study

### Wednesday Assembly:

7:00 - Bible Study for all ages

Website: [www.sm-cc.org](http://www.sm-cc.org)  
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## Prayer Requests:

- Blake - recently diagnosed with Lyme Disease
- Lesley (Rebecca's friend) - please pray for strength for Lesley & healing for her husband
- Micho (Blake's uncle) - recently suffered a stroke at age 48, losing sight in his right eye & affecting his equilibrium; also experiencing low blood pressure; please pray for healing & that these conditions are reversible
- Nate Hios - suffering with bronchitis
- Paul & Sandy - Paul at River Ridge doing well & making steady progress. Sandy had successful hip replacement surgery on Sept 18th at MMC and is doing well; going back to River Ridge for rehab, perhaps as early as tomorrow; thanks for your continued prayers!
- Paula Kennedy - experiencing back problems; undergoing PT; also has MRI scheduled
- Terry Kennedy - has knee surgery scheduled for November 5th; pray for good results
- Priscilla (Kathy's friend) - stage four stomach cancer; her condition is worsening
- Rebecca & Caren - as teachers, their school situations are very challenging
- Taylor Moseley (Susana's grandson) - part of a team programming drones sent overseas to bomb the enemy; pray that God will guide them as they shoulder this big responsibility
- Matthew Sampson - recently experienced a self-inflicted gunshot wound in left femur while cleaning a gun; surgery removed bullet and repaired damaged femur; healing will be about two months
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today

**Note:** Items not regularly updated will be removed at the end of each month. Thank you.

**BULLETIN ITEMS:** If you have a prayer request or an announcement for the bulletin, please contact Terry Schmidt at 284-9191 or e-mail at [tls654b@gwi.net](mailto:tls654b@gwi.net) Thank you! ☺

## Preach the Word!

Someone has said, "Good preaching comforts the afflicted and afflicts the comfortable." This is an accurate observation because God's word does both. Paul, in Romans 15:4 speaks of the "comfort of the Scriptures." And Hebrews 4:12 tells us that "the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." In short, because God's word is truth (John 17:17), it gets to the heart of the matter.

Like seed (Luke 8:1-15), God's word is endowed with life-giving energy. It is dynamic, full of energy, and at work in the hearts of men and women in whom it is planted. When received with meekness, the implanted word is able to save souls (James 1:21). Peter states that we purify our souls when we obey the truth of God's word and are "born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever" (1 Peter 1:22-23).

God himself says that His word shall not return to Him void, but shall accomplish that which He pleases. (Isaiah 55:11). The early church grew rapidly in large part due to the faithful preaching and teaching of the word. "In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power" (19:20). Paul noted that the gospel of Christ "is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes..." (Rom 1:16).

This is why we are commanded to go and "teach all 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 Jesus commanded (Matthew 28:19-20). As the first century church has shown, the preaching and teaching of the word is God's plan for church growth, and we cannot improve upon it.

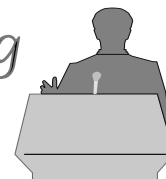
*Welcome Brent!*  
*Preach the word, brother!*

## Gospel Meeting

Sept 21 – 24

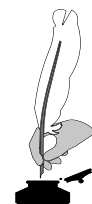
with Brent Newton

Invite your family,  
friends and neighbors!



Dearest Church Family,

I do not know where to begin. There is so much to say in regards to the loving, caring and giving of this church family.



Paul & I are so blessed to be a part of it.

There have been many hills and valleys along the way! Some were extremely difficult to say the least. But...the Lord is ever present, and keeping our hope, trust and faith in Him is the one and only answer!

Thanks from our hearts to all for being who you are...and again we are so gratefully thankful!

In Christian love,  
Sandy & Paul



☺ 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. Please fill out a visitor's card and sign our guest book before you depart. Have a great week!