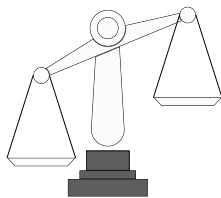


## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"* — James 5:16

- Clara Clark - recently had gallstones removed; suffering now with pancreatitis
- Bob Cook - overall health concerns
- Diane Cote - dealing with chronic pain due to suffering with diabetes; fibromyalgia; tendonitis and neuropathy
- Richard & Kathy Judkins - health concerns
- George & Caren Nick - family struggles; Caren is now visiting family in South Africa
- Ernie & Wealthie Perry - health concerns; Wealthie recovering from a bad fall last week
- Don Pfeiffer (husband of Terry Kennedy's close friend) - non-invasive bladder cancer
- Lesley Hamblin (Rebecca's friend) - grieving the loss of her husband Tim; please pray that a Bible study with her will come to pass
- Rebecca Hios - lost her job last week ☹, but has already been offered a secure position as a data entry clerk which she has accepted! ☺
- Terry Kennedy - prayers for safe travel as she visits family in Virginia
- Jan Sampson - chronic & severe hip pain
- Wayne Sampson - doing well with PT on knee
- Ron Sanborn (Terry K's dear friend from the Church of Christ in Conway) - throat cancer; undergoing chemo & radiation therapy
- Sandra Schmidt (Terry & Betty's daughter in law) - in USAF deployed to the Middle East
- Tatiana (Rebecca's friend) - grieving the loss of a high school friend who died in a crash
- Karolyn Terrill - recently diagnosed w/ stage 1 uterine cancer; now back in Arkansas where surgery will be scheduled soon
- Karlee Wells - dealing with a lot of stress and chronic pain; struggling in many areas
- Amber Williams - suffered a slipped disc in her back recently; still quite painful
- Debbie Woodley - recovering from a stroke

*"Pray without ceasing"* — 1 Thess 5:17



## Balance

Whether it's the wheels on your car, a propeller on a boat, or a rotor on a helicopter, when things get out of balance the ride is going to get rough and there will be problems. A lot of damage to equipment and its various components can result if the problem is not addressed quickly. Life is the same way. When things get out of balance in our lives, the ride is going to get rough and there will be problems.

To keep his balance, a tight-rope walker holds a balance-beam at the center of his body. In order for a Christian to maintain his *spiritual* balance, Christ must be kept at the center of his life. However, when *we* are at the center, everything revolves around *us*, and things usually do not go well. That's because you and I are not healthy centers for our lives. Selfishness and self-centeredness will inevitably bring forth the works of the flesh. But when Christ is at the center of our lives and on the throne of our hearts, we will consistently yield the fruit of the Spirit in our daily living (Gal 5:16-26).

Focusing on Christ and keeping Him at the center of our lives provides us with a solid foundation, spiritual stability and a healthy balance. Because in Christ "are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col 2:3), we have access to that which enables us to handle life God's way. When this happens, God is glorified (1 Cor 10:31), and we are blessed (Luke 11:28).

How can I be sure that I have Christ at the center of my life? One who has Christ at the center will be *Christ-like* in what he thinks, says and does. As the Scripture says: "Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did" (1 John 2:6). In other words, the life of one who professes to live for God must bear the stamp of Christ.

— Terry Schmidt ✍

## ~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

- Dover Church Bible Game Day**  
Saturday, Aug 15 at 2:00 PM
- Gander Brook "Family Camp" 2015**  
Theme: "The Christian Family"  
September 5-7
- Gander Brook Ladies Retreat**  
September 17-19
- Gospel Meeting with Brent Newton**  
September 20-23
- Gander Brook Men's Retreat**  
September 24-26



## Our Deepest Sympathy

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the family of **Gerry Reynolds** as they mourn her passing. A service will be held at Bibber's Funeral Home, Monday, July 20th at 1:00 PM. May God's steadfast presence and tender compassion provide strength and comfort to these dear ones during this difficult time of grief and loss. †




## COTE'S NEW CELL PHONE NUMBERS:

Diane - 459-9555  
Paul - 423-1708

Please make a note of this  
in your directory.


## ☺ 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 before you depart.




*Ladies' Corner*

Nursing Home: Our next visit to the nursing home will be Wednesday, July 15th. We meet there at 9:30 am. The residents are very encouraged by our visits.



**July Birthday**

Diane Cote - 24th  
Shirley Boucher - 29th



### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Next Men's Business Meeting: Aug 2**

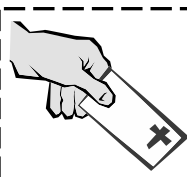
**SNACKS!**

July 19: Nancy  
July 26: Sandy

*"By love serve one another."*  
— Galatians 5:13 —

Tony & Nancy were able to visit with our sister in Christ Clara Clark last week and deliver a fruit basket from the church. Clara was appreciative of the visit and grateful for the hospitality gift. She is still on a strict diet of very little fat and restricted liquids. She still has several return visits to the hospital over the next month, but seems to be healing well. Please continue to remember her in your prayers!

*"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith."* — Galatians 6:10



Numbers for 7/12/15  
Attendance - 22  
Contribution - \$455.91.

## Order of Worship

July 19, 2015

*"By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name."*

~ Hebrews 13:15 ~

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Paul Cote*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*

Song

The Lord's Supper:  
*George Nick & Tony Grant*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Nate Hios*

Song

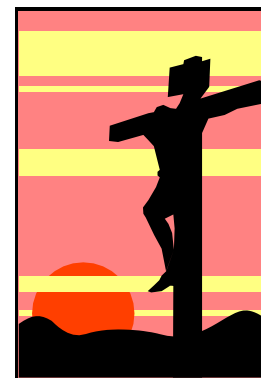
Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Wayne Sampson*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Susana Kazel*

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

**July 19, 2015**

### Sunday Assembly Times:

9:30 am — Bible Class  
10:30 am — Worship  
6:00 — Bible Study

### Wednesday Assembly:

7:00 — Bible Study

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