



## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Corona Pandemic - its effect & overall impact on our lives, the nation and the world
- Diane Cote - pulled a muscle in her left calf and is wearing an air-cast; ongoing health concerns
- Paul Cote - cancerous tumor removed from his frontal lobe; recent MRI revealed radiation & chemotherapy are working & have shrunk the remaining mass; a future MRI will determine status of the cancer; keep the prayers coming
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Reyderick Derecho - permanently disabled
- Janice Grabowski - suffering from chronic pancreatitis & fibromyalgia
- Connie Henderson - now home after a short stay at MMC; chemotherapy was found to be doing more harm than good at this point, so the aggressive regimen has been stopped; prayers are greatly appreciated and needed
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer
- Jamie (Pat Miller's daughter) - recently had successful emergency gall bladder surgery and is now home recovering
- Ernie Perry - arthritic back pain and COPD
- Norman Roy - prayers needed for him & his family as his condition worsens
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis and arthritis pain, with ongoing anxiety attacks
- Paul Small (Paul Cote's cousin) - has stomach cancer
- Erik Wuelper - has pancreatic cancer
- Please pray for a permanent meeting place
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today

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

## Decision and Resolve



Shortly before his death, God's faithful servant Joshua challenged Israel with these familiar words, "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve" (Joshua 24:15). This is a choice we all need to make. Unless a firm and fixed decision is made to faithfully serve the Lord, it will not happen. If we do not completely agree and fully accept the fact that God's will and ways are right and best for us, our service to God will be half-hearted (Col 3:23) and our Christianity will be lukewarm (Rev 3:15-16; 19).

Joshua proclaimed, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua had made his decision. Motivated by love and reverence for the Almighty, he firmly resolved to faithfully serve Jehovah God. We too need this kind of resolve—"to make a definite and serious decision; to settle the matter" (*Webster*). We need to settle once and for all whether we will faithfully serve and worship God and our Lord Jesus Christ, or whether we will serve our idols (anything that takes the place of God in our hearts).

"Now therefore, fear the Lord, serve Him with sincerity and in truth, and put away" [your false gods] (Joshua 24:14). Joshua challenges Israel to repent and renounce their false gods. If they are to faithfully serve the Lord, they need to give their idols up completely and have absolutely nothing to do with them. "Now therefore, put away the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your heart to the Lord God of Israel" (v. 23).

Joshua's sound and sobering words evidently penetrated the minds of those present and deeply touched their hearts. They responded, "We will also serve the Lord, for He is our God" (v. 18). Realizing these words are easy to say but difficult to practice, Joshua stressed that this commitment should not be made lightly, but should be considered carefully and deliberately. Again, they responded, "No, but we will serve the Lord" (v. 21). May our sincere and dedicated response be the same. — **Terry Schmidt** ✍

**"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

*"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."* — Acts 4:12



## Those Who Overcome

(see 1 John 5:4-5)

*They on the heights are  
not the souls*

*Who never erred, or went astray,  
Who trod unswerving to their goals  
Along a smooth, rose-bordered way.  
Nay, those who stand where  
first comes dawn,  
Are those who stumbled . . .  
. . . but still went on!*

## 😊 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.  
Have a great week! 😊*





July 16th - Pat Miller  
July 24th - Diane Cote

We will enjoy our potluck  
today after services.  
Please plan to stay for this  
special time of food, fun  
and fellowship! ☺



*"...food which God created to be received with  
thanksgiving by those who believe and  
know the truth." — 1 Timothy 4:3*

Courage can be defined as:  
"fear that has said its prayers."  
(See Joshua 1:5-9)

Visits to Our  
Web Page

Last Week: 4,054  
This Month: 33,458



**SNACKS!**

July 11: Paula  
July 18: Betty

*Attendance & Contribution  
for July 4, 2021*

Attendance — 28  
Contribution — 485.

## Order of Worship

July 11, 2021

*"While I live I will praise the LORD;  
I will sing praises to my God  
while I have my being."*

- Psalm 146:2 -

Song Leader: *Terry Schmidt*

Song—11

Opening Prayer: *Jason Kennedy*

Song—17

Scripture Reading: *Erik Grabowski*  
~ John 12:42-43 ~

Song—28

The Lord's Supper:  
*George Cuvellier & Ernie Perry*

Song—33

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
- What Do You Love? -

Song—49

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Wayne Sampson*

Alternate: *Jim Miller*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Betty Schmidt*

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

**July 11, 2021**

### 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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