

In Our Prayers...

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

Jared Brittain (Larry McKesson) — This brother in Oklahoma is a friend of Larry McKesson's mother. He has made good progress recovering from severe burns. Continue praying, as he still has much to endure.

John Dicks (Virginia) — Virginia's son, John, is in hospice care in Georgia. He has been battling cancer.

Ruth Sutherlin (Debbie Sutherlin) — Ruth is in hospice care at Mercy hospital. Ruth has become much worse lately. Family are attending to her daily.

Health concerns- — John Huffmyer; Jeff Hopkins; Kim Brown; Bill Himes; Paula Dahlke; Glenda Fields; Mary Elizabeth Bingham (local resident).

Door for the Word — Ongoing Bible studies & effective means for spreading the gospel in and around Durango this year.



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News and Announcements

Picnic at Vallecito Kenny & Debbie Sutherlin invite everyone to a picnic fellowship at their house at Vallecito. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert. We have invited brethren from around the Four Corners. This will begin around noon on Saturday, August 10, at 2020 CR 500.

Four Corners Churches Picnic Mark your calendars! On Sunday, September 1, 3:00pm, Churches of Christ from around the Four Corners will gather for a picnic fellowship at the Four Corners Youth Encampment near Dolores, CO. See the bulletin board for info.

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Service Times

Bible Study
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7p.m.

Worship
Sunday 10:20 a.m.

Between Now and November 5th

What happens between now and November 5th is a matter of life and death. It will have an impact on our freedom, our liberty, our worship, our spiritual well-being, our future, and our very standing before God. Trouble may surely follow. Our worst fears may come to pass. Life as we know it may be gone. We may go too far this time and everything that makes us who we are may be lost. This November could be the watershed moment of all watershed moments.

As a result of what happens between now and election day, we could lose what is most precious to us and forfeit the very liberties that allow us to pillow our heads each night with peace. We could forfeit our core beliefs that have sustained our identity since the time that we became a people. We could fundamentally alter who we are because of what we do, what we say, and what we support leading up to November 5th.

Before some of you assume that this is a post that is going to shed light on or give support to certain political parties or platforms, let me

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Scripture Reading: Genesis 42

Between Now and November 5th

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clarify.

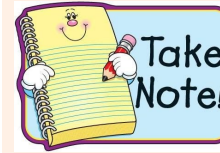
I do not believe that who sits in the White House (or holds any earthly position of authority) can impact the freedoms and liberties that define who we are (Galatians 5:1; John 8:36). I do not believe that our greatest fears have anything to do with what happens to the temporal, earthly hierarchies of men (Matthew 10:28). I do not believe that elected officials can alter or hinder our true citizenship (1Peter 2:9-10). I know Jesus said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18) and that will be just as true after the election as it is today.

It is not who we elect that is really going to impact us; it's what we say, what we support, what we share, what we assume, and what we trust between now and then that may change it all. Our freedom might be forfeited because we are guilty of bearing false witness. Our liberty in Christ might be in danger because we belittle others when they don't think, or vote like us. Life as we know it might be altered because our trust is placed in a political official rather than a sovereign God. We may go too far this election season because protecting innocent, unborn lives is put on equal footing with insurance premiums, tax rates, carbon emissions, and a concealed carry license. Our worst fear (separation from God) might occur because we protect a party, an amendment, or an economic system at the expense of showing and living the love of Christ.

"Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king" (1 Peter 2:17).

Wayne Jones

Bear Valley church of Christ



Brotherly Love

Keys to the Kingdom of Heaven, #7

1. The basic idea ...
2. The source of brotherly love ...
3. Why it must be "brotherly" ...
4. Brotherly love produces a _____ fellowship.

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Arranged in Chronological Order

August 5	Mon	Jeremiah 23-25
August 6	Tue	Jeremiah 26-29
August 7	Wed	Jeremiah 30-31
August 8	Thur	Jeremiah 32-34
August 9	Fri	Jeremiah 35-37
August 10	Sat	Jeremiah 38-40; Psalms 74, 79
August 11	Sun	2 Kings 24-25; 2 Chron. 36