

In Our Prayers...

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

Through Our Website (*Nathan Wheeler*) — Robert, a young man from Kentucky, Donald Woodard, Jr. and Phil Chavez. These have contacted us for spiritual assistance recently.

Meriam Nij (*Larry McKesson*) — *Larry and Keitha McKesson's neighbor is back after emergency hospitalization recently. She is staying with her daughter. Recovery is expected to take some time.*

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

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

News and Announcements

Potluck Fellowship Today is our June potluck fellowship. Please join with us!

Singing in Silverton The church in Silverton is hosting a 5th Sunday singing fellowship. It will be this Sunday, June 30th at 4pm, at the Kendall Mtn. Recreation Area; 1 Kendall Pl. in Silverton.

Camp Donation Thank you, everyone, for giving so generously to Four Corners Youth Encampment. We raised over \$1300 in our special contribution. Many young souls will be blessed!

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Service Times

Bible Study

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

Worship

Sunday 10:20 a.m.



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Competing with Culture

King Solomon knew he was in for a fight. He knew it would be a challenge to keep his children from giving in to the pagan culture that surrounded them. He would plead with his son to listen (knowing it was a very real possibility he wouldn't):

“Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck. My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent...my son, do not walk in the way with them; hold back your foot from their paths...” (Prov. 1:8-10,15).

Solomon lamented that rebellion against godly parenting led to heartache and grief:

“A foolish son is a grief to his father and bitterness to her who bore him” (Prov. 17:25).

“The one who keeps the law is a son with understanding, but a companion of gluttons shames his father” (Prov. 28:7).

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Scripture Reading: Genesis 37

Competing with Culture

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Apparently, it has always been difficult to get the next generation to see the urgency and value of godliness. The peer pressure to go along with the waves of current culture is powerful. We are made to feel ignorant and unloving if we hold to the ways of God rather than to the worldly philosophies of the moment.

With this in mind, we must believe and emphasize the following ideas to the next generation (from the book Faithfully Different):

The “nicest sounding” beliefs are not necessarily the right beliefs. Saying “love is all that matters” sounds nice, but it isn’t true (cf. 1 Cor. 13:6; John 15:18-19).

The truth is narrow—and that’s ok! $2+2=4$ and Jesus is the only way to Heaven (John 8:24, 14:6; Matt. 7:13-14, 21-23)!

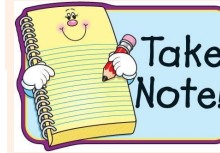
Godly humility does not require indecision about our beliefs. We can’t know everything, but we are not so naïve as to think we can’t know some things (John 8:32).

Experience does not supersede the Bible as a source of knowledge. We must test our experiences against Scripture, not change our beliefs to fit our experiences.

The cure for cultural disagreement will never be to compromise biblical beliefs (1 Cor. 16:13; Eph. 6:13; 2 Thess. 2:15).

- Bart Warren

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Sermon Notes

Worthy of the Lord

Keys to the Kingdom of Heaven, #2

1. The best art imitates creatures fulfilling God’s _____.
2. The Creator is _____ in his own way.
3. God’s excellence is fully on display in Jesus’ _____.
4. The excellence of Jesus’s cross calls us because we were _____ to do likewise.
5. So, we are to be excellent as _____ is excellent.

The man walked over to the perfume counter and told the clerk he’d like a bottle of perfume for his wife’s birthday. “A little surprise, eh?” smiled the clerk. “You’d better believe it,” answered the man. “She’s expecting a cruise.”



Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

Arranged in Chronological Order

June 24	Mon	2 Chronicles 19-23
June 25	Tue	Obadiah; Psalm 82-83
June 26	Wed	2 Kings 1-4
June 27	Thur	2 Kings 5-8
June 28	Fri	2 Kings 9-11
June 29	Sat	2 Kings 12-13; 2 Chronicles 24
June 30	Sun	2 Kings 14; 2 Chronicles 25