In Our Prayers…

**Requester's name is in parentheses*

***Antonio** (Debbie Sutherlin) – Antonio works for Debbie's sister. Antonio's son, his son's wife, and his son's daughter were killed in a car accident last week.*

***Neil Himes** (Brandy Wheeler) – Brandy's brother, Neil, has entered treatment in the Albuquerque area for alcohol addiction.*

***Terrylynn Begay** (Nathan Wheeler) – TerriLynn's landlord gave her some time to catch up on rent. She and her family were not evicted.*

***Ongoing Health Concerns** — Andrew Wheeler; Mark Collins; Sarah Willmon; Miriam Nij; Melinda Black; Matt Sims and his mother, Dixie; Lyle Provost; Shirlean Johnson; Jim Beaver; Cailin Porter; David Frederick; Rick Hales; Bill Harrell; Josh Martin; Karen Crowson; Terry Wells.*

***Door for the Word** – Pray for relationships with the lost that lead to opportunities to talk about Jesus.*

Announcements

Fundamentals of the Faith Bible Study Next Sunday there will be a Bible study meeting for all who are interested in reviewing the basic teachings of Christianity. We'll share a light lunch after worship assembly followed by the Bible study.

Men's Business Meeting There is a Men's Business Meeting scheduled on Saturday, November 14th at 7:00 am in the education building.

Nizhoni Shondin Birthday Party Yolanda Woody's daughter, Nizhoni, turns 8 soon. You are invited to her birthday party on November 14th. Details are posted on the foyer bulletin board.

Children's Home Change Cans Please return your change cans by Sunday, November 29th.

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Service Times

Bible Study
Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Worship
Sunday 10:20 a.m.



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The Temple of God

By Brian Moats

"You are God's temple," Paul tells us, "and God's Spirit dwells in you" (1 Cor. 3:16).

The world was created with a sanctuary at its center: the garden of Eden, where God dwelt with man. The later tabernacle and temple recalled that garden. Their lamps, flowers, palm trees, and cherubim marked them as places of renewed communion with the living God. To enter God's house was to return, symbolically, to Eden.

The way into the sanctuary passed the altar of sacrifice and the laver of washing. Our entrance into God's presence likewise comes through sacrifice and cleansing: through Christ's offering of Himself and the waters of baptism. We do not make ourselves fit to become God's dwelling place. Rather, he receives us through His Son, washes us, and fills us with His Spirit.

Inside the sanctuary stood the lampstand, shining in the holy place. Jesus is the Light of the world, and in Him we, too, become lights shining in the darkness. Our words and works are to illuminate the world around us, so that others may truly see

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Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 12:1-25

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and glorify the Father.

There was also the table of showbread, continually set before God's face. Jesus is the Bread of Life, and each week He welcomes us to His table to feast upon Him. Nourished by Christ, we learn to give ourselves as bread for others. We become bread for our neighbors, offering our strength, skills, time, and labor so that others may be fed and live.

The altar of incense stood before the veil. Its rising fragrance pictured the prayers of God's people. We, too, are called to lives of continual prayer, lifting thanksgiving, confession, and petition to our Father. God's house, the church, is a house of prayer, and His living temple should be fragrant with it.

Beyond the veil was the Most Holy Place. Only the high priest could enter, and only on the annual Day of Atonement, with sacrificial blood. Christ has entered the heavenly sanctuary through His own blood, and His death has torn the veil. In Christ, we draw near, and the presence once guarded within the innermost sanctuary now dwells in God's people.

Jesus embodies everything the sanctuary proclaimed. He is the sacrifice and the priest, the Light of the world and the Bread of Life, the faithful man of prayer and the meeting place of God and man. United to Him, we become what He is making us. We are a dwelling place for God.

This is true of our bodies, which are temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 6:19), and of the church together, being built into a holy temple in the Lord (Eph. 2:19-22). Christ is the chief cornerstone, and we are living stones, fitted together into His house. Filled with His Spirit, we shine as lights, pray, feast, and offer ourselves in love for one another and for the world.

You are God's temple, and through His living temple, God is filling the world with His holy presence.

Today is D-Day

Luke 12:49–13:9

1. **D-Day is _____ here.**

2. **The _____ of D-Day abound.**

3. **Decide to do the _____ thing.**

4. **Decide while you _____ today.**

5. **Decide to give God his _____ .**

Weekly Bible Reading Schedule

November 2	Mon	Hosea 7 – 10
November 3	Tue	Hosea 11 – 14
November 4	Wed	Joel 1 – Amos 1
November 5	Thur	Amos 2 – 5
November 6	Fri	Amos 6 – 9