



# WEEKLY FAMILY ENCOURAGER



**“Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord you labor is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)**

SAVE  
THE  
DATE

## Upcoming Events

### December 2

- Sarah Otto's Memorial Service-Weber Rd-11 AM (Visitation from 10-10:45 AM)

### December 9

- Kid's Holiday Craft Party

### December 10

- Purpose Sunday
- Singing Service-PM
- Youth Group Devotional

### December 12

- Men's & Preachers Lunch

### December 16

- Caroling by the FFC & Youth Group
- Classics Holiday Gathering at the Klotz's

### December 17

- Leadership Meeting
- Adult Holiday Party

### December 20

- Teens Dine Out

### December 24

- Regular AM & PM Worship

### December 27

- No Bible Classes—All Church Devotional at 7 PM

### December 31

- Regular AM & PM Worship

### January 3

- No Bible Classes—All Church Devotional at 7 PM

### January 7

- Timothy & Tabitha Classes

### January 10

- Men's & Ladies' Classes resume

### January 21

- Involvement Sunday
- Birthday Celebration

## Why A Sermon On Giving?

Each year for the past 45 years, at least two sermons at the beginning of December have focused on giving to the Lord. Specifically our obligation to give to the Lord of what we have been blessed. We often stress singing, prayer, the Lord's Supper and preaching as part of weekly worship. Yet, another important part of worship is giving or contributing to the work of the church.

As we plan for next year's (2024) budget, it is helpful to know that our weekly contributions have been more than twenty percent under budget for 2023. Some of that may be due to members who have moved away or the economy. Yet, it is always good to evaluate every aspect of our life in Christ to make sure we are living up to God's expectations. Should we clean up our language or attitude? Perhaps we need to evaluate our relationships? Another area of improvement may be our worship which includes prayer, singing, partaking of the Lord's Supper, taking in the Word of God and giving of our financial blessings.

The challenge for the new year of 2024 is that we give generously to the Lord and His work. Remember God knows our hearts and He also knows our individual financial standing. You may give what many consider to be a small amount each week, but God knows if it is generous according to your ability. You may give a great amount, but again, God knows your heart and your ability. Certainly no man can judge your giving, BUT God will most assuredly do so with His perfect judgement.

One question often asked is, "Do I need to tithe, or give ten percent?" There is no New Testament

command to tithe. You may purpose or plan to give close to that amount or you may work to give more than that amount. Just remember, it is God who knows everything about us and it is God who expects our best of everything we do in life.

Paul gave instructions concerning our approach to giving in 2 Corinthians 9:6-9, *The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup> Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever."*



-Mark Hammitt

# Giving—Is Attitude Important?

Psalm 96

*\*Why is giving an important biblical topic?*

*\*Why do some Christians resent this topic?*

I. R \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 10:18-22)

II. J \_\_\_\_\_ (John 12:3-6)

III. A \_\_\_\_\_ & S \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 5:1ff; Malachi 3:8)

IV. B \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 4:36-37)

V. P \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 12:41-44)

VI. D \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Samuel 24:24; 2 Corinthians 2:8)

***How is YOUR attitude toward giving?***



# We hope to see you in Bible Class this Sunday! 9 AM

## December

- 2-Aurora Overton
- 5-Rowdy Georg
- 10-Neva Staudt
- 13-Jayson Permenter
- 15-Fran Eubanks
- 3-Elida Rodriguez
- 9-Susan Klotz
- 12-Lupe Davila
- 13-Sylvia Sanchez
- 16-Gary Jackson



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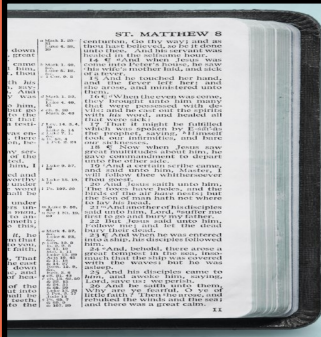
**Matthew 5:16** The Bible reads "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. You have done just that. The calls, text, cards, plants, food and flowers have been very encouraging during our hour of grief. Thank you for all the love.

-Jermaal Taylor's Family

### Weekly Bible Quiz

What seven things are an abomination to the Lord? Check it out in Proverbs 6

"Serving An Awesome God"  
"Come let us sing for joy to the Lord, let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation."  
Psalm 95 (NIV)



### Daily Bible Reading Schedule

- December 3– 2 Peter 1; Ezekiel 40-41
- December 4– 2 Peter 2; Ezekiel 42-44
- December 5– 2 Peter 3; Ezekiel 45-46
- December 6– 1 John 1; Ezekiel 47-48
- December 7– 1 John 2; Daniel 1-2
- December 8– 1 John 3; Daniel 3-4
- December 9– 1 John 4; Daniel 5-6

If you are looking for a place to make an end of year tax contribution, donations can be made to Weber Road Church of Christ Camp Bandina. Please put Camp Bandina in the memo line. This donation will help with camper fees and offset the operations cost for next year. Any amount is appreciated. Thanks

**Members:** Noelia Lee, Rose Ramirez, Laura Johnson, Kathy Jimenez

**Shut-ins:** Bea Anderson, Bobby & Sharlene Barnhart, Margie Brown, Betty Clark, Betty Coatney, Billy Brittain, Jim Evans, Betty Hervey, Idee Higgins, Annie Mungia, Evelyn Pledger, Patsy Reed, Maria Sanchez, Joyce Self, Deanie Taylor, Gloria Wilson, Charmaine Windham

**Military:** Tyler Crowe (Navy; Training in Great Lakes, Illinois)

**Sympathy:** Remember Pearl Archambault & Zachary Morris. Lisa Erwin's service was this past week. Also remember Charlene Hooten and family. Sarah Otto's service is Saturday, December 2 at Weber Road. Visitation is from 10-10:45 AM & Service is at 11:00 AM.

**Friend & Family Prayer Requests:** Janette Hooten (Russell's mom-heart surgery 11/30), Bob Hammitt (Mark's father), Wendell Williams (Vanessa Joshlin's brother-Woolridge Place), Maverick Thompson (Jacque's grandson), Eva Perez (Larry Sanchez's friend-leukemia, 5 yrs old), Stephen Limones' mother (hospital), Daniel Meza (Teodora's father-in-law), Juan Salazar (Manuel Mungia's brother-in-law-cancer), Sid Frasier (Klotz's friend-cancer), Joe & Kim Smith (Eric Blanchard's friends), Lois Brinn (Thomas's mother), Lupe Davila (Jesse's wife)

**Missionaries/Preaching Students:** Sainthuber Felix and Beaubrun Origine (Haiti); Will Hanstein (Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies, Knoxville, TN); Sylionor Houpette (Jamaica); Wayne Jones and Robert Eller (Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver, CO); Fernando Madrid and Elias Padron (Colombia); John Moore (Bible Land Passages and Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver, CO); Jaston Richter (Southwest School of Bible Studies, Austin, TX); Dustin Vensel (Sunset School of Preaching, Lubbock, TX); Norfleet Stitts (Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX); Augustine Tawiah (Africa); World Bible Study

## Prayer Requests

join us in prayer

- Please provide regular updates so our prayer list will be current. Email updates to [office@webercofc.com](mailto:office@webercofc.com) or write on back of your attendance card.



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*Sharing God's Word with  
Corpus Christi and the World*



**worship Times**  
Come and *Worship* with us

**SUNDAY**  
Bible Class (All Ages) - 9:00 AM  
Worship - 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY**  
Ladies' Bible Class\* - 10:00 AM  
Men's Bible Class\* - 10:00 AM  
Bible Class (all ages) - 7:00 PM  
\*September-May

**Elders:** Grant Jackson, Mike Klotz

**Preacher:** Mark Hammitt

**Interim Youth Minister:** Trey Fricks

**Deacons:** Steven Bailey, Jimmy Crowe, Bruce Elam,  
Justin Esslinger, Gary Hannah, Daniel Honig,  
Russell Hooten, Manuel Mungia, Larry Sanchez



Upcoming  
**EVENTS**  
Don't miss out

## Kid's Craft Party

December 9 | 2-4 PM

Children should bring a wrapped gift for a child their age and gender. Indicate age & gender on gift (2 yrs and under, 3-5 yrs, 6-7 yrs and 8-10 yrs).

## FFC & Youth Group Caroling

December 16 | 3 PM

See Trey Fricks for details.

## Classics Holiday Party

December 16 | 4:00 PM

All Classics (55 yr olds & up) are invited to the Klotz's house. Please sign up to attend. Food will be provided.



**YOUTH  
GROUP**

## Youth Group Devo

Dec 10 | 6-8:30 PM

6-12th Graders will have a devo at the Hammitt's.



## Leadership Meeting

December 17 | 4 PM

Elders, Deacons and Ministers will meet in Room 7.

## Preachers & Men's Meeting

December 12 | 11 AM

Join us at Jason's Deli on Airline & SPID (Dutch treat) for lunch.

## Adult Holiday Party

December 17 | 6-8:00 PM

Everyone is invited to join us! Please bring finger foods & dessert to share as well as a wrapped gift to exchange (\$10 limit). See Mark or Denise Hammitt or Susan Klotz to help set up. Babysitting provided (See Trey if you need a sitter.) Sign up with what food you will be bringing.