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“Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art. It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things which gives value to survival.”
—C.S. Lewis

“In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”
—M.L. Kink Jr.



Jesus said to the Jews in John 5:39, “*You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me*” (NASB). If you don’t read Jesus when you read the Old Testament, you’re doing it wrong.

Do you remember Jacob’s dream? “*And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! And behold, the LORD stood above it [or beside him] ...*” (Gen 28:12-13, ESV). Do you know what it was about? It was in this dream that God gave the Seed promise to Jacob, as He did to Abraham and Isaac, “*...and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed*” (Gen 28:14). Jesus made reference to this promise when He said, “*Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man*” (Jn 1:51). In Genesis, the angels were ascending and descending upon the LORD who was beside. In John, Jesus claims that the angels were ascending and descending upon the Son of Man, Jesus’ favorite self-reference. Not only does this equate Jesus with Yahweh, but it ties Jesus to the fulfillment of the Seed promise through which all families of earth would be blessed. The fulfillment of that promise is the gift of Jesus to all families by way of His body, the Church.

By Cooper Atkeson

“Would you be poured out like wine upon the altar for me? Would you be broken like bread to feed the hungry? Would you be so one with me that you will do just as I will? Would you be light and life and love my word fulfill

Yes I’ll be poured out like wine upon the altar for you, I’ll be broken like bread to feed the hungry. I will be so one with you that I will do just as you will; I’ll be light and life and love your word fulfill.”

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If there is a need for food, medications, etc., and a member is unable to get out, please contact either the staff, or one of the elders.

The Whartons requested prayers for their granddaughter Erin Wharton, who is 14 years old, and has been diagnosed with hip cancer. She is undergoing testing at MD Anderson hospital.

Let's remember all of the health care workers we have in our congregation, **Rona Barrozo, Ashton Bosse, Jolene Fudge, Kaysi Garrett, Karen Wootton, Karla (Wootton) Carter**, and those around the nation and world, who are on the front lines of the pandemic.

Garland McConal got a good report from his doctor, and has been able to progress from using a walker to a cane.

Bill Fitch, son of **Katie Fitch**, will have surgery on June 16th. Please remember Bill and his family; as well as Katie, as she cannot be with her son during this difficult time.

Jordan Barraza had surgery to remove the Thyro Glossal duct cyst from his throat. Elisa reported that the surgery went well. Jordan is in quite a bit of discomfort and pain, but was able to eat a bit last night. Please continue to pray for Jordan, and his sweet family. They are such a wonderful example to us all.

Chris Mulliniks was injured when he fell off a ladder. He is buised, but reports that there were no broken bones. Please pray for his recovery.

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Galatians 2:20

"Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Com near to God and he will come near to you.." James 4:7-8a

Health Updates:

Please pray for **Don Taylor**, as he deals with several health issues; **Garland McConal** as he recovers at home from surgery; **Tara Brubaker**, recovering from hip repair surgery; **Scott Stork** (son of Chuck and a missionary in China), who is having radiation treatments; **Desire' Dunn** (daughter-in-law to Beverly Barke) battling Stage 4 Leukemia; **Sarah Lucas**, (family member of Jeanie Haby) who has some serious health concerns; **Erin Wharton**, 14 y.o. granddaughter to the Whartons-diagnosed with cancer; **John Meadows**, as he recovers at home from several medical issues; **Bill Fitch**, son of Katie Fitch who is having surgery on 6/16; **Larry Smith**, friend of the Lovelady family, suffering with colon cancer; **Vida Spangler**, recovering at home from a broken pelvic bone; **Dennis Lange's** and daughter-in-law in Albany, NY working on the front lines in the hospital; **Chris Mulliniks'** sister Cindy, a nurse in Tennessee; and **Jeanie Haby's** sister **Julie Browning**, who is an RN at a Houston nursing home.

Please pray for **Holly Macy, Jordan Barraza, Jim Mays, and LaJean Hendrick**, as they continue their treatments.

Continue to pray for all Riverside family and friends facing health concerns.