THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7 November 10, 2019



A Living God

A defendant was on trial for murder. There was strong evidence indicating guilt, but there was no corpse. In the defense's closing statement the lawyer, knowing that his client would probably be convicted, resorted to a trick: "Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I have a surprise for you all," the lawyer said as he looked at his watch. "Within one minute, the person presumed dead in this case will walk into this courtroom."

He looked toward the courtroom door. The jurors, somewhat stunned, all looked on eagerly. A minute passed. Nothing happened.

Finally, the lawyer said, "Actually, I made up the previous statement. But you all looked on with anticipation. I therefore put it to you that there is reasonable doubt in this case as to whether anyone was killed and insist that you return a verdict of not guilty."

The jury, clearly confused, retired to deliberate. A few minutes later, the jury returned and pronounced a verdict of guilty.

"But how?" inquired the lawyer. "You must have had some doubt; I saw all of you stare at the door."

The jury foreman replied: "Oh, we did look, but your client didn't."

Oops! It was evident from the way he acted that the defendant didn't really believe the victim was still alive. Let me ask you a question: As the world looks at our lives, is it evident to them that we believe in a living God?

Oh, I know we've made the case, we've argued the evidence, we've proclaimed the truth that "Our God, He Is Alive!" But the world may be looking not so much at the evidence we present, as our demeanor, to see if it matches what we say we believe.

"For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity." (1 Timothy 4:10-12)

May it be evident to the people around us by the way we act that we serve a LIVING God!

Borrowed

PRAYER LIST* MEMBERS

• Margie Rhodes Debbie Kendall

Bill Harty
 Judy Ressallat

• Bonnie Thompson Terry Shaw

• Bonnie Stephens Maria Reategui

• Maggie Rodriguez Elvis Durity

• Asbill Family Marjorie Connor

• David & Della Flagg

• Blake Family Carla Sledge

• JC Perez's mom, Wilda

• Larry & Di Menoher

• Stockman family Frieda Rodgers

• Lee Sutton Carol Hughes

Brenda Werntz Fee Family

NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS

• Delbert Mick

• June McCauley

• Mildred Freeland

• Lyle Wheeler

• Dolly Blitch

• Wayne & Bonnie Bucy

FAMILY & FRIENDS

• Jon Sauer

• Dougan Family

• Laurie & Danny Osborne

• Maddie Whitlock

• Darinda Paul

• Joe Lennon's son

Mary Ryder

• Jack Dehanas

• Linda Sutton grandson Matt & great granddaughter Jordan

• John Diniro

Frances Wakeland

• Judy Ressallat's sister

• John Wallace's sister

George Ballard

• Marsha Hampton

• John David

• Bob Stafford

Judy Sauer's granddaughter, Magen

MILITARY

Christopher Lemay Darrell Martin Casandra Prokop Lee Strong

Order of Worship

November 10, 2019

Call to Worship: Joe Lennon

Medley "He Has Made Me Glad"

"Holy Ground / Holy Ground"

Welcome: Lyle Asbill

Medley "How Sweet, How Heavenly"

"Shout to the Lord"
"Glorify Thy Name"

Bible Reading: AJ Lopez Matthew 16:13–18 (NIV)

Prayer: David Wakeland Screen "Communion Prayer"

Communion:

Leader: Dennis Coleman
Scripture Reading Matthew 26:26-29
Offering 1 Corinthians 16:1-2
#745 "Humble Yourself"

Message: Lyle Asbill

Invitation:

#454 "Rock of Ages" Song As We Enter the Mission Field:

Screen "Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty"

Closing Prayer: Ben Gyimah

Gluten Free communion is available in a separate tray that has been placed in each communion tray.

Future Events

November 16th: Youth group event @ Dempsey's home @ 6PM

November 20th: Deacon & Ministry Leaders meeting

November 22nd: Pack Thanksgiving Bags
November 24th: Hand out Thanksgiving Bags
December 7th: Annual Christmas Dinner @ 6PM

December 13th: Christmas Festival Community Event

December 15th: Bon Fire @ Otey's @ 5:30PM

January 17-20, 2020: Youth @ Central Florida Winter Camp

January 18, 2020: Walk-a-thon

February 1, 2020: Touch A Truck Annual Event Feb 28 - Mar 1st 2020: Family Camping Retreat

Tuesday Men's Prayer Meeting: 6:30AM @ building

Jail Ministry: See Barry if you'd like to help with this ministry!

GIVING & ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDED Nov 3, 2019

Weekly Actual \$10,009
Weekly Budget 9,000
Weekly Variance \$1,009

4 Week Average Variance
Attendance
Worship: 147
Bible Study Attendees: 91

PRAYER UPDATES

- Mildred Freeland, Lyle Wheeler, Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, Bonnie Thompson, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- John David Ottway is going through chemo and radiation treatments again.
- John Diniro had a stroke last Saturday. Room 1209 in Brookdale.
- Maggie Rodriguez was able to go home on Wednesday where she is recuperating.
- Condolences go out to the Zoltek family in the passing of Tammy's dad and to the Billingsby family in the passing of Pam's great aunt.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 10 Kathy Diniro
- 12 Diane Otey
- 15 Frieda Rodgers
- 15 Barry & Kathleen Brown
- 16 Lisa Hare
- 18 Cindy Osborne
- 18 Penny Salmon
- 19 Bill Strong
- 22 Claude Haynes
- 24 Marcella Wakeland
- 24 Ben Gyimah
- 24 Jack & Mary Paul
- 26 Shawn Mak
- 27 Sandi Clayton
- 29 Esmeralda Castillo
- 30 Everett Paul

Bible Classes This Week

Sunday Bible Classes:

Auditorium - Scott Holden - "Deuteronomy - Before and After" Youth classes include:

Cradle Roll - Room #2A - Kim Osborne

Pre-School - K - Room#2 - Shelby Macon

1st - 3rd Grade - Room # 3/4 - Susan Shelly

4th - 5th Grade - Room # 1- Nora Vitiello & Susan Meulenberg

Middle School & High School -Room #11- Zak & Jordyn Dempsey

Wednesday Night:

Auditorium - Lyle Asbill

Truth Talks / Singing - Classroom #ll - Zak & Jordyn Dempsey

Preschool class - Room #2 - Kim Osborne

Youth classes 1st - 5th Grade - Room #1 - Tiffany Mitchell

Life Forming Groups

Life Forming Groups are small group Bible studies that meet in homes. Everyone is welcome at any of the locations. Communion is available during each of the studies.

The meeting location tonight at <u>5PM</u> is:

David & Marcella Wakeland - 1929 Imperial Golf Course Blvd

The meeting location tonight at 6PM is:

Barry & Kathleen Brown - 2610 White Blvd

Mike & Sandra Pell - 1507 Mockingbird Drive

Benevolence Baskets

We are doing things a little different this year. We are requesting \$20 gift cards from Publix and / or a monetary donation in any amount to cover the food items. The Publix cards are given to each family so they can shop for their ham/turkey and fresh items we are not providing. Once we have the donations, we will go shopping at a local store where we have found the best deals. Please see Marc or Sonyia Rimmer to help.

Our Annual Christmas Festival

Last year we had over 400 people from the community stop by and enjoy the festivities! For those of you who served last year... We are going to pay you the greatest compliment you can receive... We are going to take you for granted! That you will be ready and willing to serve again this year! If you were involved and simply cannot help this year or will be out of town for the event, PLEASE email Scott Otey at your earliest convenience and let him know at esotey@wcrw.net. If you didn't have the opportunity to be involved last year but wish to serve this year, please also email Scott Otey as soon as you can! This year's event is sure to be as great or greater than last year – it will be Friday Evening December 13th. We will soon be organizing a meeting to coordinate everyone's respective roles - Thank you in advance!"

Song Selections

Do you have a favorite song (or 20)? The song leaders are taking a survey and putting together a list of songs that we all know and love to sing. Is there a song you would like for us to learn? We want to know that as well. On the table near the sound booth, is a wooden box where you can make your voice heard. Place your list in there. Thanks!

ELDERS

 Barry Brown:
 777-7248

 Ben Gyimah:
 449-6339

 Claude Haynes:
 450-0715

STAFF

Lyle Asbill: Minister
Kathleen Brown: Office Admin
Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister

DEACONS

Terry Billingsby
Jeff Blake
Alan Glazier
Glenn Macon
Larry Menoher
Drew Meulenberg
Tim Osborne

Building / Grounds
Adult Education
Worship
Worship
Building / Grounds
Finance
Finance

Prayer

Scott Otey Special Events
Marc Rimmer Benevolence
Hugh Travis Livingston Academy
Tom Wriggins Worship

MINISTRY LEADERS

Dennis Coleman Visitation Haris Domond Social Media & Advertising

George Fetzer Security
David Wakeland Involvement

USA MISSIONS

Roberto Escobar, Sr. [Naples]

Carlos & Maribel Preciado [Pompano] Christian Home & Bible School

LIVINGSTON ACADEMY

Bailey Murrell Daycare Director

GHANA MISSIONARIES

Emanuel, Peter, Gideon, Mark, Amos, Anthony, James, Valentine, Evans

WORSHIP SERVICES SUNDAY

Bible Study— 9:00 A.M. - 9:45 A.M. Worship— 10:00 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. Spanish Worship— 1:00 P.M. Life Forming Groups—6:00 P.M. Meeting in various homes

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study —6:30 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Friday: 10A.M.—4P.M. Wednesday: 11 A.M.—6:30 P.M.



MISSION STATEMENT

To Glorify God By:

Leading people to know God through Jesus Christ.

Equipping members for ministry and spiritual service.

Assisting members to grow in love, holy living and fellowship with the community of Christ.

 $\label{eq:Declaring} Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship.$

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Today Next Week

Song Leader:

Joe Lennon Dennis Coleman

Opening Prayer:

David Wakeland Hugh Travis

Scripture Reading:

AJ Lopez Barry Brown

Communion Leader

Dennis Coleman Rick Taft

Servers:

Jose MakDrew MeulenbergDrew MeulenbergTom WrigginsBarry BrownRobert CopelandAlan GlazierPhil OsborneKevin MakScott HoldenZak DempseyBill Strong

Closing Prayer:

Ben Gyimah David Wakeland

Computer:

Doug Fee Cameron Rimmer

Sound Booth:

Easton Davis Garrett Macon

Nursery:

Stella Gyimah Cindy Osborne

Greeters:

Sheri Glazier Susan Shelly Lisa Hare Sally Jackson

Ushers:

Glenn Macon Doug Fee Garrett Macon Barry Brown

Visitor Center:

Susan Meulenberg Kim Osborne
Please meet in Classroom #11 10
minutes before services begin. If
you are unable to serve, please call:
Alan Glazier or Tom Wriggins
[Worship], Kathleen Brown
[Nursery, Sound Booth], Lyle Asbill
[Visitor, Usher, Greeter]

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