



Prayer Concerns

Missy Gillespie (former member) has an aortic dissection. She has been able to return home and is being treated with medication.

Donna Hall is dealing with an UTI and a GI bleed.

Katie Parrott will be having surgery on the 8th to remove a growth from her abdomen.

Jason & Devin Pierce family as they move back to the states from Fiji on the 8th.

Megan Setser (Wanda Weaver's neighbor) has a brain tumor.

Lonnie Shoopman is recovering an aortic valve replacement and has also been diagnosed with non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

Phyllis Thompson (Cindy Strobe's aunt) fell and broke her femur and needed a pin in her hip.

Don Walton (Regina Anderson's dad) is now under hospice care on comfort measures.

Tiffan Watcom (Crystal Miller's friend) cancer has spread to the lymph nodes.

Long Term Prayers for Family and Friends

Samantha Brazel, (GayLee's granddaughter, residential hospital); **Brandon Chance** (Edie Short's nephew, deployed to Poland), **Sharon Cooper** (Dementia); **Susie Crecelous** (GayLee's friend, bone cancer & lupus), **Cindy Davis** (chemo treatments), **Pam Dowty** (Ronnie Sutton's sister, Parkinson's), **Robert Ewing** (GayLee's nephew, bone & liver cancer), **Moe Handy** (shoulder, back & sciatic pain), **Marilyn Hiser** (cancer treatments), **Ted Houchin** (former member, lymphocytic leukemia), **Martin Julian** (Shut-In), **Pam Lasiter** (ongoing health issues); **Sharon Lasiter** (cancer treatments), **Tori Parker** (Tana's friend, dealing with domestic abuse), **Camille Parsley** (Deford's niece, metastatic breast cancer that has spread to her bone marrow), **Janette Parsley** (Karen Deford's sister, doing very well from valve replacement surgery), **Leah Raker** (David & Janice Kent's great-granddaughter, Rett syndrome, seizures), **Anthony Ross** (Gay Logsdon's nephew, dialysis), **Barb Short** (Edie Short's sister-in-law, cancer), **Vonnie Stonebraker** (Sowder's neighbor, cancer treatments), **Barb Surber** (dementia, living with daughter), **Delbert Vibbert** (Lougene's nephew, COPD), **Don & Mary Walton** (Don - hospice; Mary - recovering from back surgery), **Tiffany Watcom** (Crystal Miller's co-worker, melanoma, awaiting treatment plan); **Wanda Weaver** (stage 4 kidney disease and lupus), **Joel Westberry** (neck & spine), **Jimmy Wooten** (Parkinson's), & **Keven Wooten** (Cardiac Amyloidosis, chemo)

Daily Bible Reading Plan

Sunday, April 6	1Samuel 25-27
Monday, April 7	1Samuel 28-31
Tuesday, April 8	2Samuel 1-3
Wednesday, April 9	2Samuel 4-7
Thursday, April 10	2Samuel 8-11
Friday, April 11	2Samuel 12-13
Saturday, April 12	2Samual 14-15



Celebrations This Week

Birthday

9th Keith Huesman

11th Emily Boner

Anniversary

None to Report

GOSPEL MEETING

The Eagle Valley Church of Christ Spring Gospel Meeting (April 6-10). We are canceling services here this evening in order to go and support their meeting. If you would like to carpool with us, we will leave here at 5pm.



Morning Glories Ministry Brunch

The next brunch for our ladies will be on Saturday, April 12th at 10am in the fellowship hall.

Youth Group

The teens are gathering for a movie and game night on the evening of April 12th at Eric and Amy's Home.



Our next Love Feast Fellowship will be April 13th. Bring your favorite covered dish and dessert to share.

Sunday, Evening Bible Study

Due to our fellowship meal next Sunday, our evening Bible study will be moved up to 1pm, immediately following our fellowship.



Movie Night: The Passion of the Christ

Friday, April 18th (7pm)

Egg Hunt (April 19 @ 10am)

We are now collecting candy for the egg hunt, which can be placed in the bin in the foyer by the office. We will also need volunteers to help fill eggs, scatter them throughout the yard, and greet our guests. If you are able to assist, please see George or Rachel Hewitt.

Administration Record

2025 Budget: \$178,787.94

Weekly Budget: \$3,438.23

Last Week's Offering: \$4,177.00

Attendance Last Week 67

Meditation of God's Word

Ministers of God's Grace

God often administers His grace to us through the ministry of other believers. This truly is a primary means that God uses, because He has ordained that in the body of Christ, all the members "should have equal concern for each other" (1Cor 12:25). Of course, this is to be a reciprocal ministry. We should be channels of grace to one another.

Allow me to deliberately misuse a statement of Scripture to make a point: This is one area where most of us feel it is indeed "more blessed to give than to receive" (Ac 20:35). That is, we are more inclined to be ministers of grace to others than to allow others to be ministers of grace to us. Our problem is that we are reluctant to be transparent and vulnerable to each other. We men especially don't like to admit we have problems, as it often perceived as a sign of weakness in our own minds. We want to appear as if we have life under control. We want to appear as if we are successfully dealing with temptations to sin, and as if we are successfully dealing with the difficult circumstances of life. We are just unwilling to let anyone know we are struggling.

The times when we need an extra measure of God's grace are often the times when we are most reluctant to let other people know we need it. Usually when we think of the ministry of grace to one another, we think of the initiative being with the person who will be the minister. But the initiative is often with the one who has a need. We have to admit our need and give others the permission to minister to us.

What are some ways in which we can ask others to be ministers of grace to us? In answering this, we need to keep in mind that we are asking the person to be an avenue for God's Spirit to pour out His grace to us. We are asking the person, or persons, to help strengthen our contact with the Holy Spirit so that we can better receive the divine assistance He has promised to give.

That being the case, the first thing we need from others is prayer support. It is instructive how often Paul asked the recipients of his letters to pray for him, even when he did not seem to have extremely pressing needs. But, if they are to pray effectively, we must be willing to share what our real needs are. The next thing we need is their help in accepting and applying Scripture to our specific needs. And then, we must also be willing to let them help meet our physical needs.

Keep in mind, ministering grace is a two-way street. The NT writers strongly emphasize the idea of ministering to one another. We are to pray for one another, encourage one another, teach and admonish one another, spur on one another, carry each other's burdens, share with one another, and so on. Truly the body of Christ should be constantly alive with this reciprocal ministry of God's grace to one another.

...Ronnie Hewitt