

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

March 21, 2021

WELCOME!

The Trouble with Bragging

A North Carolina farmer was talking to a Texas rancher. The Texas rancher was bragging that his spread was sooooo big, that he got in his pick-up in the morning and didn't reach the end of his spread until nightfall.

The North Carolina farmer replied, "Yup, I had me a pick-up like that once."

That's the trouble with bragging – no one seems to appreciate it as much as we do! How will others know how important we are unless we tell them? We tend to focus on ourselves – we talk about what we have accomplished, we talk about who we know, we talk about what we just bought.

To offer a suggestion, let's forget about ourselves and focus on someone else. Take an interest in what someone else has accomplished, or better yet, take an interest in a problem that someone else is experiencing.

"Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:3-5

Unless we tell them, won't others fail to realize how important we are? Perhaps, but more likely, they'll recognize true Christianity in our humility.

Let's focus on others this week!!
Borrowed

PRAYER LIST*

MEMBERS

- Diniro Family
- Claude Haynes
- Margie Rhodes
- Drew Meulenberg
- Bonnie Stephens
- Maria Reategui
- Maggie Rodriguez
- Elvis Durity
- Marjorie Connor Lew Parks
- Della Flagg Frieda Rodgers
- Doug Fee
- Carla Sledge
- Donna Strong
- Lee & Linda Sutton
- Di Menoher
- Warren & Brenda Werntz
- Ron Restivo
- Jeff Blake

NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS

- June McCauley
- Wayne & Bonnie Bucy

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Jon Sauer Kasey Dudley
- Laurie & Danny Osborne
- Maddie Whitlock
- Darinda Paul
- Joe & Marie Lennon's son
- Mary Ryder Lynn Greer
- Linda Sutton grandson Matt & great granddaughter Jordan
- John Wallace's sister
- George Ballard
- Marsha Hampton
- Marco Moros Bob Stafford
- John David & Nancy Ottway
- Hussey Family Sally Abbott
- Judy Sauer's g-daughter, Meaghan
- John Werntz
- Robert Champion Michael Presto
- Pam Richey Larry Brown
- Brooke Ruppel Laubel Perez
- Ao Hotchkiss
- Rod Cameron
- Carla Sledge's niece, Audricka
- Carla Sledge's nephew
- Danny Billingsby

MILITARY

Christopher Lemay Lee Strong
Darrell Martin Casandra Prokop

Order of Worship

March 21, 2021

Call to Worship: Joe Lennon

"Behold Our God"

Announcements

& Welcome: Terry Billingsby

"Lord, We Come Before Thee Now"

Prayer: Barry Brown

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 6:12-20

"Communion Prayer"

Communion

Leader: Tom Wriggins

I Corinthians 11:23-26

Deuteronomy 8:18

"Humble Yourself"

Message: Russ Bone

Invitation: *"I Am Mine, No More"*

"Let Your Spirit Come"

Song As We Enter the Mission Field:

"Lord Reign in Me"

Closing Prayer: Terry Billingsby

We will continue to observe Communion every week. Due to the current health concerns, the communion bread has been placed into individual serving cups. Gluten Free communion has been placed within the very center ring of each tray.

Birthday's & Anniversaries

25 - Tom & Alana Wriggins	28 - Marc Rimmer
25 - Samuel & Lardys Landeros	30 - George & Xenia Fetzer
28 - Doug Blitch	30 - Mike & Sandra Pell

Future Events

Every Sunday:	Live Stream Worship at 10:00 AM
Every Wednesday:	Ladies Class via Zoom - 6PM
Every Friday:	Communion pick up - Building - 11AM - 4PM
TONIGHT:	Bible Study @ 5:30PM - Russ Bone
March 26th:	Easter Egg Hunt
March 27th:	Surprise Welcome Fellowship with Neal Family
April 23rd:	VPK Graduation

GIVING & ATTENDANCE
WEEK ENDED March 14, 2021

Weekly Actual \$5,846
 Weekly Budget \$10,500
 Weekly Variance \$ <4,654>
 4 Week Average Variance \$<2068>

Sunday Morning:
 Attendance in Building 124
 Attendance via views online: 184

Sunday Evening:
 Attendance in Building 30
 Attendance via views online: 129

Wednesday:
 Attendance in Building/ Teens
 Attendance online: 92

PRAYER UPDATES

- Claude Haynes, Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, Bonnie Stephens, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Pray for the families affected by COVID-19. This time has taken its toll on everyone physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually.
- America Gutierrez, daughter of Lardys Landeros, is in the hospital due to pregnancy complications.
- Terry Shaw's friend, Rod Cameron, continues to have health challenges and is expecting to have additional surgeries. Prayers are very appreciated.
- Please keep the Neal family in your prayers as they transition to their Naples home.

Bible Study

Our in person class for Sunday nights:

Everyone - Main Auditorium - 5:30 PM - Russ Bone

Our in person classes for Wednesday night are:

Everyone - Main Auditorium - 6:30PM.

Teens - Grey House - 6:30PM

All county mandated health precautions will be followed.

Our virtual options are:

Ladies class via Zoom - 6PM - please contact Carla Sledge or Diane Otey for a Zoom invitation.

Auditorium class via Facebook - 6:30PM

We hope you will join us in one of these Bible study opportunities.

Easter Festival & Egg Hunt

An Easter Festival and Egg Hunt for the families of Livingston Academy and the church will be held **this coming Friday, March 26th from 4:30PM to 7:00PM**. Please RSVP to Becky Harty at 239-404-4348 by March 24th if your family will be attending,

Please see Diane Otey if you are able to help with this outreach event.

Angels Rejoicing!

Those who attended Sunday night's Evangelism class with Russ Bone had the privilege of witnessing as Diego and Mauricio put on Christ in baptism! We were all able to gather around the pool at the brick house and welcome our new brothers to the family. As soon as we have their contact information it will be printed in the bulletin.

Expanding Our Leadership

The Shepherds would like to submit to the congregation Roberto Escobar Jr and Marvin Donis as potential Deacons. If you know of any scriptural reason why these men should not serve, we encourage you to first discuss it with the potential deacon and then make your scriptural reason known to any Shepherd no later than March 28.

Members' Pictures

In preparation for the Neal's arrival, please make sure that we have your most current family photo in our pictorial directory. If you would like to have a new photo taken, please see Diane Otey.

If you would like to be part of the Audio Visual / Computer Ministry please see Zak Dempsey or Kathleen Brown. They will be happy to train you!

Our Children's Ministry will be offering a children's class during worship beginning on April 4th. Please see Diane Otey for additional info..

Surprise Sunset Fellowship - Neal Family

Please join our church family this Saturday, March 27th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Lowdermilk Beach Park to welcome the Neal Family. The event will be a sunset dinner to show our love and enthusiasm for their addition to our church family. The celebration is a surprise so "MUM'S the word". Menu: Baked Ziti, Salad, Bread, and Cake. Please RSVP by March 23rd to Sue Macon 239-398-9051 or Pam Macon 239-207-4429. In addition, please let Pam or Sue know if you are able to help with beverages, ice, snacks, etc. Let's show the Neal's the welcoming spirit of the Naples Church of Christ with a GREAT turnout!

SHEPHERDS

Terry Billingsby 423-943-8999
Barry Brown: 239-777-7248
Ben Gyimah: 239-449-6339
Scott Otey 239-253-9640
Hugh Travis 239-450-1445

STAFF

Russ Bone: Interim Minister
Kathleen Brown: Office Admin
Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister

DEACONS

Jeff Blake Adult Education
Alan Glazier Worship
Glenn Macon Youth
Larry Menoher Building / Grounds
Drew Meulenberg Finance
Marc Rimmer Benevolence
Tom Wriggins Worship

MINISTRY LEADERS

Dennis Coleman Building & Grounds
Haris Domond Social Media &
Advertising
George Fetzer Security
Scott Holden Visitation
David Wakeland Involvement

Online Giving:



USA MISSIONS

Roberto Escobar, Sr. [Naples]
Christian Home & Bible School
Mauricio Yegros [Coral Springs]

LIVINGSTON ACADEMY

Becky Harty Director

GHANA MISSIONARIES

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

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY

Worship - 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
Streaming begins at 10:00 A.M.
Hispanic Service - 1:00 P.M.
Evening Study - 5:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies Class - 6PM via Zoom
Bible Study - 6:30 P.M.
Streaming begins at 6:30 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

M, W, F - 10A.M. - 5:00P.M.



SERVICE SCHEDULE

March 21st

Welcome: Terry Billingsby
Song Leader: Joe Lennon
Preaching: Tim Neal
Scripture Reading &
Opening Prayer: Barry Brown
Communion:
Leader Tom Wriggins
Servers & Ushers:
Scott Holden, Marc Rimmer
Cameron Rimmer, Scott Otey
Closing Prayer: Terry Billingsby
Computer: David Wakeland
Sound Booth: Kathleen Brown
Media: Zak Dempsey
Communion Prep: Marie Lennon

Next Week

Welcome: Hugh Travis
Song Leader: Joe Lennon
Preaching: Russ Bone
Scripture Reading &
Opening Prayer: Scott Holden
Communion:
Leader Scott Otey
Servers & Ushers:
Terry Billingsby, Cody Callanan
Bill Strong, Phil Osborne
Closing Prayer: Tom Wriggins
Computer: David Wakeland
Sound Booth: Kathleen Brown
Media: Zak Dempsey
Communion Prep: Amanda Coleman
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 [Sound]

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.

Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship.

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