

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

March 28, 2021

welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guests. We are very happy you chose to worship with us this Lord's day. We hope your spirits are encouraged and you find us to be a friendly people who love God, His Word, each other, and YOU. We hope that you will visit again soon!

How to Love Someone You Can't Stand Romans 12:9-21, Ephesians 5: 22-33

You know, sometimes it is hard for those who profess to be Christians to always behave like Christians. We try to carry our crosses, but if someone crosses us, we tend to lose our composure and behave the same way the rest of the world behaves. The Bible teaches us that we are to be people who exercise love in our relationships with one another.

Listen to these words, "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone" [Romans 12:18]. And again, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love" [Ephesians 4:2]. And still again, "Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy..." [Hebrews 12:14].

All of those Scriptures say the same thing. It may be difficult sometimes, not everybody will be easy to love, but if it is possible, we are to live in peace and harmony with everyone. I'm beginning an auditorium class this evening (5:30 - 6:15 pm) that will deal with how to get along with each other. This series will run for seven weeks and I'm hoping you will plan to join us each Sunday evening.

Love,

Russ

GIVING & ATTENDANCE
WEEK ENDED March 21, 2021

Weekly Actual	\$8,446
Weekly Budget	<u>\$10,500</u>
Weekly Variance	\$ <2,054 >
4 Week Average Variance	\$ <2,053 >
Sunday Morning:	
Attendance in Building	143
Attendance via views online:	169
Sunday Evening:	
Attendance in Building	
Attendance via views online:	
Wednesday:	
Attendance in Building/ Teens	30
Attendance online:	121

PRAYER UPDATES

- Claude Haynes, 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 greatly 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.

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 TODAY.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to the successful Easter Festival and Egg Hunt this past Friday! Thank you does not begin to express how grateful we are for the generosity of your donated prizes, eggs, candy, food, and time. The students and parents of Livingston Academy along with our kids had a great time! The kids were able to make snacks crafts that they took home. The bounce house and our costumed guest were both a smash. The kitchen volunteers fed everyone so quickly. This event would not have been possible without all of your help. Thank you!

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. Please check the table in front of the picture board for recent updates and additions to our pictorial directories.

Birthday's & Anniversaries

- 28 - Doug Blitch
- 28 - Marc Rimmer
- 30 - George & Xenia Fetzer
- 30 - Mike & Sandra Pell
- April 1 - Willie Sledge
- 2 - Sue Macon
- 5 - Damian Harty
- 5 - Tim Neal
- 6 - Pamela Escobar

Adopt a Teacher Event

Our next Adopt a Teacher event will be held on Friday, April 16th. The Ladies Ministry will host a "Salad Bar and Sweets" during which time the teachers will receive their gifts. Please bring your gifts to the building on Wednesday April 14th. Thank you for your support!

Ministry Opportunity

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

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 Hartly 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 28th

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

Next Week

Welcome: Ben Gyimah
 Song Leader: Joe Lennon
 Preaching: Russ Bone
 Scripture Reading & Opening Prayer: Tom Wriggins
 Communion: Leader Scott Holden
 Servers & Ushers: Marc Rimmer, AJ Lopez
 Hugh Travis, Alan Glazier
 Closing Prayer: Dennis Coleman
 Computer: David Wakeland
 Sound Booth: Roberto Escobar, Jr.
 Media: Zak Dempsey
 Communion Prep: M. Wakeland
 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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