

## The Blessings of Mercy and Peace

Mat 5:7, 9

I. Review of the Beatitudes - the essence of Christianity

Mt 5:48 - Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

II. Blessed are the Merciful, Mat 5:7

What do we mean by mercy - are we a people of mercy?

James 2:12-13 - Mercy triumphs over judgment

Mat 9:13, 12:7; Mt 9:35-36; Hebrews 2:17; Mat 5:43, 48 - love your Luke 10:30-35- compassion, mercy, love

III. Blessed are the Peacemakers, Mat 5:9

How important is peace in our lives?

Rom 12:16; Eph 2:11-18; Mat 5:23; Col 3:15; Gal 3:26; Rom 8:17

IV. Our Blessings in Christ

What does it mean to be merciful? - compassionate, sympathetic, forgiving - it means to be like God who is merciful

What does it mean to be a peacemaker? - it means that we let peace reign in our relationships with each other, so that we will have peace with God, we are called to peace.

**SPIRITUAL NEEDS:** Those dedicated to mission work: the leaders of the church, Our College students. Our **Teen Ministry, Piero and Edita Drago, Clarence LeBlanc (Pat's son):** recovery and renewal. **Emily Madey:** difficult divorce and custody issues.

**HEALTH NEEDS** **Tim Wilson:** undergoing testing next week to determine if his cancer is still in remission. **Chris Ankersen's brother Fred:** recovering from cancer surgery. **Eunice Conn:** recovering from foot surgery. **John Branard:** additional foot trouble. **Betty (Willie Bryant's sister):** recovering from leg amputation. **Joe Ford (Randa's husband):** undergoing cancer treatments. **Tina Pierce's father:** recovering from surgery. **Peggy Montello (Joe's mother):** complications with cancer treatment. **Tyler Schultz:** recovering from surgery on his broken leg. **Jimmy & Sarah Hines:** many critical medical issues. **Patrick Wessel (Tyler Anderson's brother):** diagnosed with acute leukemia. **Karen Durham (Suzanne Branard's friend):** will undergo a double mastectomy on 10/11. **Cressy (Pat LeBlanc's niece):** diagnosed with breast cancer. **Nancy Muriel and Jackie Gonzalez' Uncle Herman** has inoperable cancer.

**FINANCIAL AND FAMILY NEEDS** **Gary Newton:** urgently needs work. **Julia Apple:** legal issues. **Rhonda Davis:** new job. **Britany Wilson-Weza:** husband's job transfer to Florida (awaiting approval) and needs to sell home in Las Vegas.

**SERVING IN THE MILITARY:** **Daniel Elsmore (Jackie's cousin), Frankie Cardona (Juan's nephew):** in the army in Iraq. **Nick Acevedo and Abel,** in the army in Afghanistan. **George Gayle (Marilyn Salie's brother)** is serving in Kuwait.

**MOURNING/LOSS:** **Bill Wright** died recently. Please remember **Rusty** and her family at this time. The sister-in-law of **Kim Coney (a co-worker of Kristina Anderson's)** died suddenly this week, leaving several children motherless. Kim has been caring for 2 of the youngest (ages 2 and 3). Pray for Kim and her family.

**PRAISE REPORT:** Louise Brown (Suzanne's mother) is going home after 6 weeks in rehab!

### Teen Devotionals

October 2 tbd  
October 9 tbd

### ADULT BIBLE CLASSES, FALL, 2010

Sunday a.m.: *Books of Peter*, Various men, Classroom 6  
*Lord I Want to Know You*, Various Women, Ladies Classroom  
Wed. p.m.: *Jesus, Hero of My Soul*, Bruce Pierce, Room 6  
Teens: *"Discipleship"*, John Branard

# Family Happenings



**NEW BIBLE CLASS STARTING OCTOBER 10th**

Beginning on Sunday, October 10th, we will be having a new Bible class, "Keys to Loving Relationships". This class will focus on family relationships with applications to our church family. The Adult Class, Ladies Class, and Teen Class will all meet together in the Auditorium for class. The class format is a 25 minute video with discussion to follow. There is an informational flyer posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway.

Here is an excerpt from a letter we recently received from the Christian Home and Bible School in Mt. Dora:

*This past month has seen many friends and family suffering from illness and disease. One of our dearest friends recently passed away... Your gift of \$50.00 in memory of Bill Wright is a sign of sorrow and it helps others, and yourself, deal with the sorrow that we all share. It is okay to mourn. It is especially helpful when we share that with others... We thank you for your generosity and pray that the healing hand of God touches your heart."*

Tim Deem,  
Vice President of Development

Time to start thinking about Christmas Shoe Boxes! Donated empty boxes are welcome, or, begin filling boxes to donate. More info to follow.



### New Address for the Gonzalez Family

Juan & Jackie Gonzalez  
34 Woodland Parkway  
Randolph, MA 02368  
781-510-0101  
gonzalez414@yahoo.com

### October Birthdays and Anniversaries

1-Kristina Anderson  
2-Suzanne Branard, TC Wilson, Kristen Vangorder  
5-Sara Davis  
14-Will Werner, Sandra & Lester Vangorder  
15-Veronica Bazile  
17-David Meredith  
18-Margaret Grassman, Jackie Gonzalez  
28-Edita Drago, Jenny Meredith  
29-Loren and Lori Hackman  
30-Rhonda Davis

**Dinner on the Grounds next week!**  
Please plan to stay for it.

### OASIS YOUTH RALLY

This year's Oasis Youth Rally will be held November 19-21, 2010 at the Argyle Church of Christ in Jacksonville. If any youth are interested in going, please see John Branard. We will be dropping folks off at Argyle on Friday night and picking them up on Sunday morning. A head count will be needed to ensure free housing at the Argyle building.

### New Souls for Christ in Nigeria!

The following men and women became our brothers and sisters last month through World Bible School:  
Mercy Joseph, Yougo Joseph, Eder Joseph, Lydia Yeje, Fideles Oningel, Egwe Joseph, Linus Sunday, Elizabeth Moses, Rhoda Joseph, Adeleke Bose, Adinwal Domilala, Sade Oladokum and Oluchi Okpara

### PANTRY PONDERINGS...

Plastic and paper bags are always needed. It's a big help to us if you have time to double bag plastic bags before bringing them in. Thank you so very much.

**Pantry Report for week ending September 22**  
**86 people came to the pantry,**  
**servicing a total of 216 people.**

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The ladies of the Rockledge Church of Christ will be hosting a Ladies Day on October 9, 2010, from 8:30 am until 1:30 pm. The guest speaker will be Jan Elkins and the theme will be "Just A Closer Walk With Thee". There is a flyer and sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the main hallway



WOMEN OF FAITH

"Women of Faith" forum— Oct. 15 - 16th, Tampa, at the St. Petersburg Times Forum. Tickets to the event

are \$99 - \$89 if we can get 10 or more to commit.

ELDERS  
John Branard 454-4145  
Bill Werner 254-0283

EVANGELIST  
Jim Conn 676-7954

DEACONS  
Chris Ankersen, Teens  
777-0881

Michael Clarke, Children  
728-4112

Bruce Pierce, Adult Ed  
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*Friday Noon deadline for  
bulletin information*

**Counting People because  
People Count**  
**September 19, 2010**

Bible Study.....  
Worship.....68  
Contribution.....\$1,668.06 (*Budget, \$1916.85*)

**Sunday Evening  
Small Groups**

Location	Leader	Time
Building	Conn	6:00 p.m.
Palm Bay	Bryant@Clarke	6:00 p.m.

**SERVING AS WORSHIP LEADERS**

	October 3	October 10
Song Leader	Tyrone Carter	CJ Salle
Opening Prayer	Eugene Foreman	David Woodford, Sr.
Scripture Reading	David Woodford, Jr.	Tyler Schultz
Closing Prayer	Bob Grassman	Gary Newton
Communion	Dennis Beard	Bruce Pierce
Sermon	Jim Conn	Jim Conn
Lord's Table	Chris Ankersen, John Branard, Willie Bryant, Michael Clarke	Chris Ankersen, John Branard, Willie Bryant, Michael Clarke

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**ASSEMBLY TIMES**

**Sunday:**

Bible Study 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Kids Kingdom  
Children's Bible Hour  
10:30

**Sunday Evening**

6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study at the building  
and in homes (communion  
available at all locations)

**Wednesday Evening**

7:00 p.m. Service

**Pantry Hours**

*Available to the neighborhood,  
community, and members*  
Wednesday, 3:00–5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 9:00–11:00 a.m.  
In case of emergency, contact the Wahleras  
259-6253

# Celebrations

*Worship and Family News for the Church of Christ Oceanside*

Song Leader, Jim Hansen  
*The Steadfast Love of the Lord* 724  
*Thank You, Lord* 737  
Welcome, Scott Clements  
*We Shall Assemble*  
*Praise the Lord* 20  
Scripture Reading, Matthew 5:3—9, David Woodford, Sr.  
Opening Prayer, Gary Newton  
*I Know Whom I Have Believed* 278  
*He Bore It All* 164  
Communion, John Branard  
*Blest Be The Tie That Binds* 395  
Dismiss Children  
*When We All Get to Heaven* 519  
"Blessings of Mercy and Peace", Jim Conn  
*All to Jesus I Surrender*  
Closing Comments, Bill Werner  
*Jesus, Hold My Hand* 424  
Closing Prayer, Eugene Foreman

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. Matthew 5:3—9

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