

minister's message

LOVE

1 Corinthians 13:1-7 RSV

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, [a] but have not love, I gain nothing. 4 Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; 5 it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. 7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

When Paul writes this epistle to the Church at Corinth, he makes a bold statement but a true one. Love is the driving force behind salvation, reconciliation, and forgiveness. As the bible says, "for God so loved the world...". Not the world as in the earth as a creation. The

world means the collection of men and women from the beginning of time till the end. Not just the religious folk either! He is rich in grace and mercy and the one word that sums up who God is, is love. Love is patient or as some translations say longsuffering.

There are a plethora of gifts, powers, and talents that a person can behold but if he or she is not using them in love it is all in vain. We need not be confused about what Love looks like to display it or experience it. 1 Corinthians 13 tells us exactly what love looks like. Patience, kindness, not jealous or boastful, not arrogant or rude, does not insist on its own way, not irritable or resentful, does not rejoice at wrong, bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things is what Paul says about love. So who doesn't know about love? Of course we know about love. It is in the times of hate and evil that we must remember to love. As shocking as it may sound, there are some who do not know love. Therefore, the children of God must be the beacons of light to show love to the loveless. Amen.

His servant and yours, Chris Hamilton

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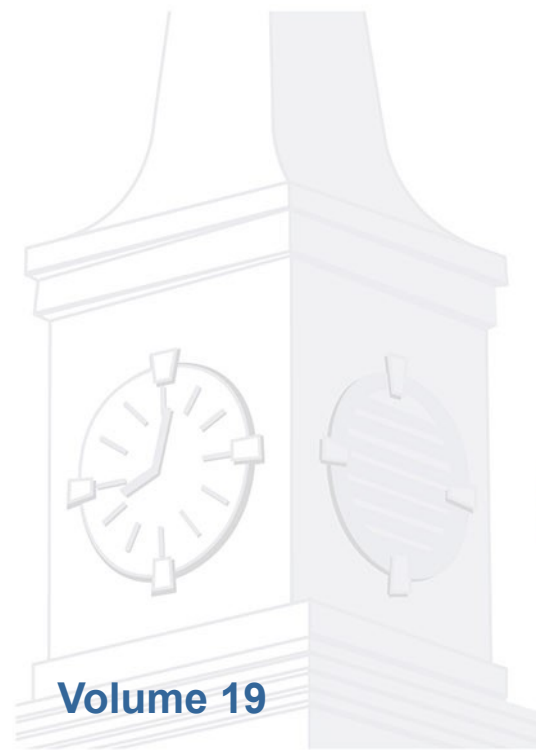
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Issue 13



worship times

sunday morning 10:00 a.m.
sunday evening 5:00 p.m.

bible class (weekly classes see inside)

sunday morning 11:50 a.m.

cypresscoc.com (website)

our affirmation of faith: "JESUS IS LORD"

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the church of Christ at cypress is committed to Jesus Christ through love, obedience, worship and service. We preach and teach the word of God which leads to spiritual maturity in Christ.

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classes

Sunday 11:50 a.m.
wednesday 7:00 p.m.

CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget: **\$3,575.00**

03-21-2021: **\$2,160.00**



All visitors are our honored guests. If you did not complete a visitors card upon your arrival, please do so prior to visit rewarding and spiritually uplifting. Please visit us again at your earliest opportunity.

CYPRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information for Live Streaming and call in to listen to worship remains the same. Live Streaming & call in: 10:00 am, www.cypresscoc.com, click Live Stream button. You may also go to: www.youtube.com/user/cypresscoclive. Call in on phone: 1-470-655-0191, Pin #347402036#.

SUNDAY, March 28—11:15 a.m.—Ladies Bible Class will meet virtually every Sunday on ZOOM. Meeting ID: 445 831 9854 and PW: 9771. Old Testament Review. Currently in Leviticus.

Wed, March 31—7:00 p.m.—Bible Class — ZOOM meeting. ID: 445 831 9854, PW: 9771—Studying the book of Romans.

Thurs, April 1—Thursday at 1:00 p.m.—PRAYER MEETING—on ZOOM. Meeting ID: 445 831 9854 and PW: 9771. (If there is a change, you will be notified, please check your e-mail.)

Every Friday Night—7:00 p.m.—The Verses Show on www.TheVersesShow.com, or on Facebook.

Chris Hamilton hosts this show with different Ministers each week, discussing various scriptures. You are able to call in and ask questions. Check it out!

April Birthdays



La Donna Swinton
April 19th



No April
Anniversaries

God has a reason for
allowing things to happen.
We may never understand
His wisdom, but we simply
have to trust His will.
Psalm 37:5

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BIBLE READING

PRAYER

SONGS

SCRIPTURE/PRAYER

SONGS

COMMUNION/COLLECTION

MESSAGE

RESPONSES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

WORSHIP IS FOLLOWED BY
BIBLE CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

Stick & Shut-in:

Dorothy Webb
Long Beach Healthcare Center
3401 Cedar Avenue, Bed
Long Beach, CA 90807
(562) 426-4461
Continue to keep her in prayer.

Lucille Rinehart:
L G Guest Home
6700 Lassen Drive
Buena Park, CA 90620
Phone: (714) 759-9287
Please keep her in prayer.

NOTE: Please let the church office know when the condition of your loved one/friend is improved and can be removed from the prayer list.

Prayer Requests from last Sunday & During the Week:

Shirley Green—1) UPDATE:—Her brother, **Leon Brooks**, does not have COPD and no oxygen will be needed. 2) She had an MRI on her shoulder and will be getting results on Tuesday.
Shawn Swanier—1) Requested prayers for the **Bastain Family** (her cousins). The patriarch passed last Saturday. 2) **Shawn, Jordan and Adam** are traveling to Atlanta this weekend to attend the wedding of her niece. Please pray for their safety.
Donna Penson—Her friend, **Marlene Allan**, passed way. She requested prayers for **Marlene's family**.
Kay Smith—UPDATE: 1) Requested continued prayers for her friend **Gracie Gupton**. She is now responsive. 2) She also requested prayers for **Bro. Tom Foster (Texas)** who had a stroke and is in ICU.
Tisa Hunter—Requested prayers for **Ruby Coleman**. She has been having back pain.
Hermentia Rodgers—Requested prayers for **Myra Devore** who will be having a stem cell transplant.
Frances Draper—1) Requested prayers for her sister, **Shirley**, she had to move her to another facility. Please pray for strength. 2) She also requested prayers for her grandchildren. They are apprehensive about returning to school.
Donna Hubbard—Requested prayers for her mother, **Norma Hubbard**. She is now home, follow-

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I will walk by faith even when I cannot see.

2 Corinthians 5:7

ing her hip surgery, but Donna is concerned that she may be starting to experience some memory issues. Please keep her in prayer.

Dianne Thomas—Requested prayers for the **James Family** (Mrs. Murphy's family). Now that Mrs. Murphy has passed, please pray for unity and peace in the family.

Hermentia Rodgers—1) Prayers for the **Rodgers family**. Her brother-in-law, **Theodis**, will be laid to rest on Tuesday, March 30th. 2) Please keep her son, **Tony**, is prayer he had a procedure on Monday, and he has another one coming up on April 7th. Pray for healing and for another good surgery. 3) Requested prayers for her grandson, **Cory and co-worker**, safe driving back from Texas.

Continued prayers/Updates:

Donna Penson—1) Received a promotion on her job. Pray that it all goes well. 2) Prayers for her former co-worker, **Rudy Ruiz**, who is having a difficult time dealing with the death of his nephew, **Dominique**, who passed from COVID.

Linda Christy—Prayers for herself—Health issue **Linda Christy—**Requested prayers for the brother of her friend, **Sabrina James**. He has COVID, was having difficulty breathing and was rushed to the hospital.

Alma Swinton—Prayers for her daughter, LaDonna—health issues for good test results
Shawn Swanier—Requested prayers for herself for continued healing of her shoulder.

Shawn Swanier—Continued prayers for her job search. She has a good prospect. Pray that it works out.

Hermentia Rodgers—Requesting prayers for **Pam Parker**, for health issues—member Tonto Church of Christ, AZ.

Frances Draper—Prayers for her niece, **Kamara**, who had surgery for a full recovery.

Linda Christy—Continued prayers for **Pearson Christy's family** on the passing of his sister, **Lillian Younger**, who was funeralized on Saturday.

Bill Carter—Prayers for Alonzo Powell, who has cancer.

Joyce Davis's daughter, Jineen,— Sent a Praise Report—Her neighbor, Mr. Prothe, is improving. He's on oxygen and still critical, but he's talking. Please continue to keep him in prayer. Thank you.

Joyce Davis—Prayers for her husband, John, who is having BP issues.

Terrell Boykin—Health issues. Continued prayers for him and for Laverne as she cares for him.

Bill Carter—Requested prayers for **Ivory Verser** who has COVID and is not doing well

Wendy Bradley—Continued prayers for her mother, **Mattie Reid**.

Gail Irby—Prayers for Jeffrey Broadway—Recovery from being shot.

Dianne Thomas—Prayers for a friend who has cancer. Please pray that all goes well.

Wendy Bradley—Requested prayers for three relatives: her uncle **Wendell**, her cousin, **Henry**, in Ohio, and her cousin, **Theresa**, in MS.

Shawn Swanier—Please pray for the mother of

the **Kelly family—**Health issues.

Linda Christy—Prayers for her friend, Maria Collier—health issues.

Patti Williamson—Continued prayers for her 4 year old neighbor, **Ellissley**.

Joyce Davis—Continued prayer for her brother, **James** who has cancer which has spread.

Gail Irby—Requested prayer for her cousin, **Shelby Williams**, who is experiencing some mental health issues.

Donna Penson—1) Requested prayer for her friend, **Carmen Winston**, who is battling cancer.

Margaret Simpson—Requested prayers for her brother, **Maurice Boykin and his wife Melonie** for health issues.

Alma Swinton—Requested prayers for her friend, **Betty Morris** who was hit by a car and seriously injured. Please pray for her full recovery.

Tisa Hunter—Continued prayer for health issues.

Linda Christy—Requested prayers regarding her eye health and knee pain. Please pray for her...

Chris Hamilton—Requested prayers for his family.

Hermentia Rodgers—Continued prayers for **Sam Boyd** who had brain surgery the end of August. **Sam** is now in a rehab facility. He still has a long way to go, but he is better. Please continue to keep him in prayer, as well as his wife, **Barbara**. Thank you.

Bill Carter—Requested prayers for his cousin, **Essie Counts**, who is in her 90's, and has a number of health issues. Please keep her in prayer.

James Webb—Requested prayers for his niece and her husband who are suffering with health issues.

Bill Carter—1) Requested continued prayers for his brother, **Bruce**, who is suffering from PTSD.

Laverne Boykin—Requested prayers for her friend **Barbara Russell** whose cancer has grown and the doctors can't treat it.

Chris Hamilton—Requested prayers for himself—To get his health/weight under control.

Taeja Hamilton—Continued prayers for her uncle **Shelton** and a co-worker, **Thelma** who has cancer.

Bill Carter—Requested prayers for his friend, **Bob Banks**, who has a heart condition that is the result of Agent Orange exposure. Those diagnosed with this condition are given 1-2 years to live.

LaDonna Swinton—Requested prayers for her friend, **Deanna Murray**, who has cancer.

AC Hamilton—Requested prayers for his manager, at work, who has lung cancer.

Marsha Jacoway's sister, Melody, who had a fall a while back and had surgery. Prays for healing.

Hermentia Rodgers—Continued prayers for her sister, **Gail Irby**, for the feeling to return to her extremities. And for her friend, **Gloria Lewis**, who continues to suffer from Vertigo and other health issues.

Ronald Anthony—Prayers for his family members in Michigan.

Morris Jordan—Prayers for strength/back pain.

Ryan Anthony—Health issues.

Keenan Modica—Military. (Belinda's nephew).