

Get To Know My Family Member:

1.) What is your favorite thing about Salt Creek?

Jim Elkins: "The Love and Christian Fellowship."

Jo Elkins: "The love of everyone and the fellowship"

Debbie Treadaway: "The genuine love exemplified by the people who make up our church."

George Campbell: "Singing old time hymns that we grew up singing."

Kim Campbell: "Seeing all the sweet friends that welcome us every Sunday"

2.) What is your favorite Bible verse?

Jim Elkins: "Hebrews 12:1"

Jo Elkins: "Psalm 84:11"

Debbie Treadaway: "John 3:16 says it all... God loved me and everyone in the world so very much that He sent His only Son to save us while we were still sinners. What an amazing God we have!"

George Campbell: "2 Corinthians 5:7"

Kim Campbell: "Philippians 4:6"

3.) What would you do today if you knew Jesus was coming back in 30 days?

Jim Elkins: "Try to get the Word to as many people as possible."

Jo Elkins: "I would want my family with me see Jesus"

Debbie Treadaway: "Truthfully I'd be much more zealous in speaking to everyone about Jesus!"

George Campbell: "Be with my family"

Kim Campbell: "Make sure those that I love are ready to see Jesus"

4.) What are you most looking forward to about Heaven?

Jim Elkins: "Seeing Jesus face to face, thanking Him for saving my soul. Then meeting all of my family and friends that have gone on before me."

Jo Elkins: "Seeing Jesus' face and my parents and family."

Debbie Treadaway: "Rejoicing with Jesus, my mom, and other family members."

George Campbell: "Peace and Comfort"

Kim Campbell: "Hugging our grandson Cooper and all my other relatives already in heaven."

5.) If you had to fight satan with a water pistol, who from the Bible other than Jesus would you take with you?

Jim Elkins: "David"

Jo Elkins: "David"

Debbie Treadaway: "David and the full armor of God"

George Campbell: "Gabriel"

Kim Campbell: "David"

What will show the presence of heaven itself among God's people? What will show that God is alive and well and right here? It's our love for one another. This isn't an afterthought, as though what really mattered were other things and our love for one another was the icing on the cake. No, the quality of our relational life is to be an apologetic to the world around us. As Francis Schaeffer once wrote, "Jesus is giving the world permission to judge whether we are true Christian disciples on the basis of whether we love one another."

So how does this work? Why is our love for one another so determinative of our missional success? Let me suggest two reasons.

1. Gospel love creates safety. We live in a world full of accusation. There's an ever-present fear of being canceled. The wrong opinion—or even the right opinion expressed wrongly—can land people in catastrophic trouble: fired from work and shunned by those around them.

The church won't be an effective communicator of the truth if it isn't an effective community.

2. Gospel love is marked by diversity. This is one of the great themes of Ephesians and is most arrestingly expressed in these words: "Through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places" (Eph. 3:10). Paul unpacks how the gospel brought reconciliation across the deepest fault line in society, making Jews and Gentiles alike members of a new humanity. One purpose is to showcase God's "manifold wisdom" in the heavenlies. The church becomes an surprising demonstration of how God can bring together what's otherwise intractably divided. The love Jesus calls his people to show one another spans varying ethnic, political, cultural, and economic backgrounds. A world watching as such variety comes together in the name of Christ will find its skepticism crumbling. Many tasks before the church are urgent and essential—defending the faith's rationality and goodness against attacks, learning to articulate the gospel in various subcultures, caring for the poor and needy in society, bringing the gospel to unreached groups and regions of the world. But nothing can be more urgent or essential than attending to what Jesus says in John 13:35. Arguments can change minds, but the beauty of Christ's love shown among us will turn heads like nothing else. (Excerpts taken from an article written by Sam Allberry www.thegospelcoalition.org)

We welcome with loving arms and joyful hearts new members:

- Warren, Sandra, and Max Tongate
- Craigan, Megan, Emma, and Connor Tidwell

If you have a prayer request or find yourself in need of prayer, please let us know.

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Let's celebrate Jesus and His Marvelous Grace together!
Sunday School for all ages: 10:00 a.m. – Worship: 11:00 a.m.
For Christ & His Glory!

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