

minister's message

"In These Things I Delight"

Jeremiah 9:24

"But let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practice steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth; for in these things I delight, says the Lord."

If I my life's desire is to know the Lord, then I must learn to practice steadfast love, justice and righteousness with all men.

The Hebrew word for justice can refer to a justice of punishment which means, if I steal something, I must pay the consequences exacted by a standard, or law and receive what I deserve. But most often in the Bible, the word justice is the idea of "restorative justice". Restorative justice goes beyond punishment and seeks to mend relationships broken by the harm done to another. It supports the notion of speaking for the vulnerable who are disadvantaged or mistreated and looking for way to repair the harm done to them by another in (Proverbs 31:8-9). Another name for this is simply, love—*seeking the highest good of another at the expense of one's self.*

This is what Jesus did for us, He loved us and died for us. He

put our interest and well-being before His own. This is why God sees us as righteous due to faith in Christ who was punished for you and me. So we can live a righteous life, **free to serve God** and fellowman aligned with the principle, **love my neighbor as myself** or love others as Christ has loved us, **at the expense of one's self.**

My neighbor is essentially any human being made in God's image. It may be the neighbor next door, the stranger I pass on the street or a family member I have known all my life. **Hebrews 13:1** says, **"Let brotherly love continue, do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them."** This is a call to compassion and empathy for strangers. It could be someone you are at odds with, not your best friend. How would we emulate God's justice, righteousness and steadfast love to His delight? By showing empathy, *as if I am in their skin with them*, to feel what they feel. Hopefully, this would lead us to give them what they need to the delight of the Lord.

Another way to delight the Lord is written in **Galatians (6:10)**, *"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, and especially those who are of the household of faith."*

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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"

mission

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

Offering 6/26/2022:
\$3,910.00
(includes Zelle)



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/cypressoclive. Call in on phone: 1-470-655-0191, Pin #347402036#.

SUNDAY In person worship. Please arrive by 9:45 a.m. **REMINDER: PLEASE CONTINUE TO TAKE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS BY CONTINUING TO WEAR A MASK. IF YOU ARE SICK OR HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID, PLEASE STAY HOME AND WORSHIP VIRTUALLY. THANK YOU.**

SUNDAY—IN PERSON MEN'S BIBLE CLASS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER MORNING WORSHIP.

SUNDAY—Ladies Class—In person Ladies class is meeting immediately following morning worship in the auditorium. Studying the book of Isaiah.

Wed, 7:00 p.m.—In person and on Zoom Bible Class — Meeting ID: 445 831 9854, PW: 9771—Studying 1 Corinthians.

Every Thursday at 1:00 p.m.—PRAYER MEETING—on ZOOM. Using the church Zoom info.

Every Thursday Evening—7:00 p.m.—Ladies Class on the church ZOOM. The study is the book of Deuteronomy.

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING—7:00 P.M.—LEADER'S & MEN'S MEETING—ZOOM ID: 609 755 6429, PASSCODE; 1234.

**2022 THEME: "EACH ONE, REACH ONE IN 2022"
I SAMUEL 3:2-10**

July Birthdays

Happy Birthday



Jonathan Baber	1st	Erika Hill-Johnson	20th
Jun Lim	1st	John Zeigler	21st
Alma Swinton	15th	Raven Hunter	31st

Happy Anniversary



NO JULY ANNIVERSARIES:

On behalf of the Crenshaw Church of Christ, we offer our sincere condolences to the Moore family.

Patricia Ann Moore
June 30, 1945 – June 30, 2022

*"No sadness, no sorrow, tears, or pain,
I'll live in love, with the Son of man."*

Our sympathy is extended to Tyson Moore and family, Minister of the Crenshaw Church of Christ, on the passing of his mother. Please pray for the Moore family.

Our prayers go out to **John Zeigler** on the recent passing of his uncle, his mother's last brother. Please keep the Zeigler family in prayer.

BROTHERHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS:
September 24–29–2022—76th Annual National Lectureship, Hyatt Regency, Orlando, FL—in person. Flyer previously attached with all info and registration details.

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

Sick & 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 (IN HOSPICE)
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:

Bro. Webb—Was released from the hospital on Friday, and is at home. Still has some health issues. Keep him in prayer.

Shirley Green—Thanked everyone for the acts of kindness extended to her during the passing of her son, **Steven**.

Donna Hubbard—Asked for forgiveness and requested prayer.

Erika Johnson—Requested prayers for a family member who has COVID.

Hermenia Rodgers—Requested prayers for **Belinda Rodgers** who has COVID. Mild symptoms. Prayers, please. Ken & Family plan now to return to Iowa next Saturday. The Rodgers are in quarantine.

Natasha Williams—Requested prayers for several family members.

Prayers were also requested for **Aisha Gross**.

CONTINUED PRAYERS:

Hermenia Rodgers—Requesting continued prayers for **Kim Clark, Gloria Lewis's daughter**, who was hit by a car. She had surgery this week to repair her broken legs and they relocated her shoulder. She has a long way to go, but is in good spirits. Please keep her and her family in prayer.

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SMALL GROUP

CLASS ON ZOOM

Tuesday evenings:

7:00 p.m.

Cypress Zoom

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Continued prayers for the Hubbard & Hamilton families on the passing of Douglas Hubbard, brother of Donna Hubbard/uncle of Chris Hamilton. Services info—pending.

Joyce Davis—Requested prayers for her daughter, **Jineen**, who has COVID. She's getting better.

Hermenia Rodgers—1) Continued prayers for her son, **Tony**, and his wife, **Andreka**—for health issues. 2) Continued prayers for her sister, **Bernice Carter**, who is now in a rehab facility following a stroke.

Frances Draper—Requested prayers for her sister, **Shirley**—Health issues.

Natasha Williams—Requested prayer for the Williams, Robinson, Butler, Nobles, Hibbler, Marshall and Corte families.

Corey Maye—Requested prayers for his sister, **Elizabeth**—Health issues.

Eddie Morris—Requested prayers for **Jeanette Young's mother**—She has been diagnosed with Colon Cancer.

Teresa Wilson—Requested prayers for **Tim Grambling, Jordan Grambling and her Aunt Lilly**—for health issues.

A.C. Hamilton—Heart health issues—Continued prayers.

Corey Maye—Requested prayers for his mother—Health issues.

Shirley Green—Health issues—continued prayers.

Glen David Rinehart—Continued prayers—Health issues. Thank you for your prayers.

Frances Draper—Requested prayers for **Howard Croom** (close family friend) Health issues.

Wendy Bradley—Requested continued prayers for her family, the Williams, Robinson and Butler family. Thank you.

Hermenia Rodgers—Requesting continued prayers for **Joyce and John Davis (Arkansas)**. John is making a lot of progress, but it is still difficult. Continued prayers.

Marsha Jacoway—Her sister, **Melody** is in the middle of Chemotherapy. Continued prayer.

Eddie Morris—Requested continued prayers for his father and his sister, **Gail**.

Natasha Williams—Requested prayers for **Sam Harrell**. Natasha & Wendy are first cousins. **Sam Harrell** is **Wendy Bradley's brother-in-law**. Sam is ill and needs our prayers. Thank you.

Hermenia Rodgers—1) Requested prayers for sister/friend, **Debbie Sims**, and 2) **Annorver Johnson**—(Hermenia's niece) —Both of these women have cancer and are undergoing Chemo.

Hermenia Rodgers—Requesting continued prayers for sister friends **Rhonda Johnson and Mary Franklin** who have health issues.

Linda Dunn—Requested prayer for her family, and especially her, daughter, **Kamara**, who is undergoing Chemo treatments.

Glen Rinehart—Requested prayers for his mother, **Lucille Rinehart**, who is in hospice.

Kay Smith—Her client, **Mary Tran**, health issues. Continued prayers.

Shawn Swanier—Requests continued prayer for the healing of her shoulder.

Laverne Boykin—Continued prayers for her sister, **Alene Gray** — Health issues.

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

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

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

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

Hermenia Rodgers—Continued prayers for **Sam Boyd** who had brain surgery. 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.

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

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

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

Hermenia 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.

Morris Jordan—Prayers for strength/back pain.

Ryan Anthony—Health issues.

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

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.
Proverbs 3:5-6*