

minister's message

DEEPLY LOVE ONE ANOTHER FROM THE HEART

1 Peter 1:22-25 *22 Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. 23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. 24 For, "All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, 25 but the word of the Lord endures forever." And this is the word that was preached to you.*

Peter, in his first letter to the believers speaks a lot about hope. Peter is teaching the believers to look beyond their present time and to rejoice in the glory that is to come. Hope is a major theme for all Christians. Hope leads to faith, and faith leads to salvation. Accompanied with hope is another major theme: love. For Christians, it is the catalyst that brought about the coming of a savior

in Jesus Christ according to John 3:16. Here Peter makes some important distinctions about love. He does not begin with love right away, but instead he first speaks about the process of purification. Christian love, the kind that Peter is talking about does not come in our sinful carnal nature. We first needed the love that Christ brought and to obey the truth that He revealed. Only when we have gone through the process of being born again can we truly understand how to "deeply love one another from the heart." So then, let us not be confused when we see people who hate rather than love. Let us not be confused when we encounter individuals who do not know the word of God. It is the job of every Christian to spread the truth about the Gospel and to show the world the Love of Jesus and the hope of salvation. Only then will we see the changes that we desire.

His servant and yours, Chris Hamilton

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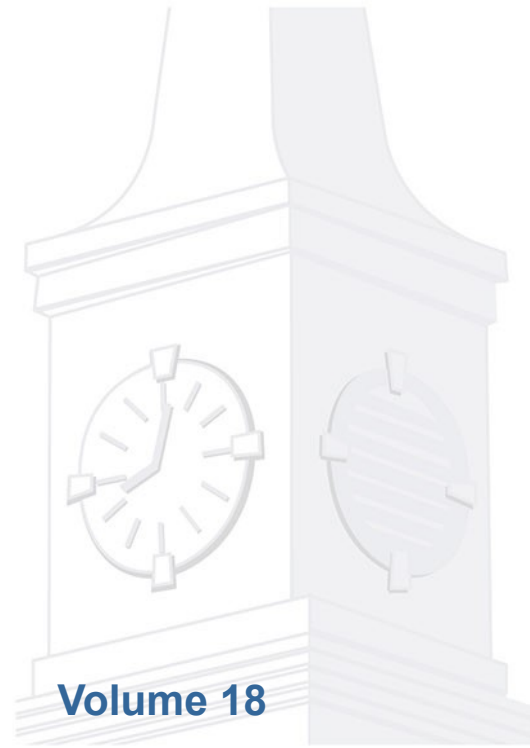
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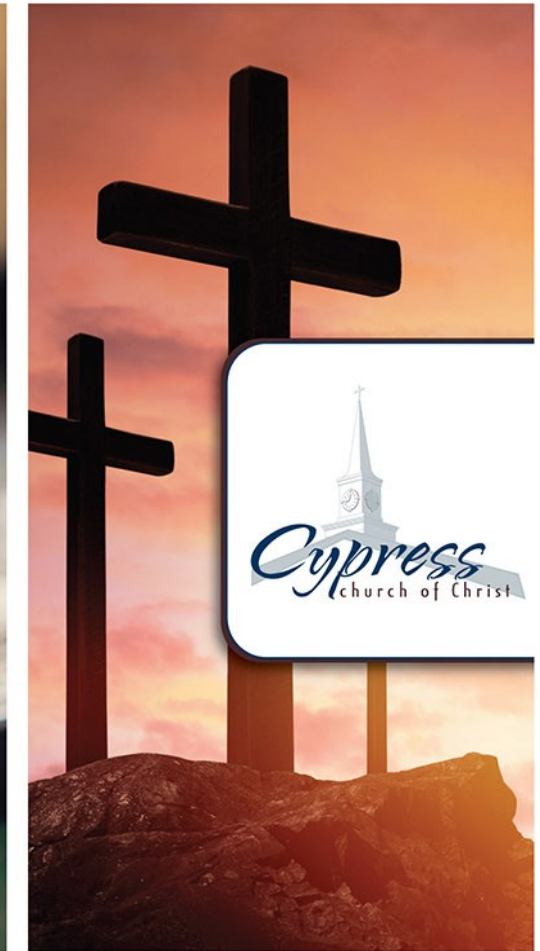
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worship times

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"

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

06-21-2020: \$2,415.00



All visitors are our honored guests. If you did not complete a visitors card upon your arrival, please do so prior to departing. Thank you for taking the time to visit with us. We hope you found your 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#.

July 1—Wed—Mid Week Inspirational Message from Leonard Bradley. Information will be emailed.

July 1—Wed—7:00 p.m.—Bible Class — Zoom meeting ID: 445 831 9854, PW: 9771

July 2—(Thursday) 1:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting hosted by Leonard Bradley on Zoom. ID:760-5565-6662, PW: 977130.

July 3—(Friday)—5:00 p.m.—Bible Jeopardy hosted by Chris & Taeja Hamilton on Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID: 445 831 9854, PW: 9771.

While we are unable to meet for worship, Pew Packers are encouraged to memorize the bonus scripture: I Cor. 13:1-13. Donna Penson.

Dianne Thomas has challenged the adults to memorize this chapter, as well.

**2020 THEME: "GIVING OURSELVES TO CHRIST, AS CHRIST GAVE HIMSELF FOR US"
2 CORINTHIANS 8:5, GALATIANS 2:20**



Remaining June Birthday: Jordan Swanier—June 30th

July Birthdays

Jonathan Baber	1st	Alma Swinton	15th
Jun Lim	1st	Erika Johnson	20th
Chuck Hays	6th	John Zeigler	21st
Bill Carter	14th	Raven Hunter	31st



July Anniversaries
Ken & Belinda Rodgers—5th
Congratulations on 20 years!

CYPRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

DRIVE-BY BIRTHDAY PARTY-CHUCK HAYS

Chuck Hays' will be 80 years old on Monday, July 6th. He has never had a Birthday Party. Linda Garner Hays has decided to have a **Drive-by Birthday Party for Chuck on SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2020, from 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. in the Cypress Church parking Lot.** No gifts. If you want to bring a Birthday Card and include your favorite scripture, that would be great! You can also bring balloons. We may be able to park and sing Happy Birthday. Hopefully, everyone can make it.

Parents, If you have someone in your family who is graduating this year, please inform Hermenia Rodgers, and if possible, please also provide a picture. Thank you.

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**

Traveling --Pray for safe traveling grace:

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
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:

Freda George—Sent a letter thanking the congregation for our prayers for her son who has cancer. He is now in rehab. Thank you.
Gail Irby—Requested prayers for her niece, **Andrea Irby**, who is experiencing severe anxiety concerning the corona virus and the way things are being handled on her job. Please pray for calmness.
Kay Smith (Dianne Thomas' sister)—Requested prayers for herself as she prepares for testing for job certification.
Frances Draper—Prayers to stay committed, faithful and strong during these trying times.
Hermenia Rodgers—1) Requested prayers for her great nephew, **Marques Grundy** who was hospitalized with health issues. **UPDATE:** He is home now with new medications. Thanks for your prayers. 2) Requesting prayers for her niece, **Annover Johnson**. She went into the hospital with extreme stomach pain. They found a mass and she will have a biopsy next week to determine if it is ovarian cancer.

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Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:6-7

Joshua 1:9
HAVE I NOT COMMANDED YOU? BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS. DO NOT BE AFRAID; DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED. FOR THE LORD YOUR GOD WILL BE WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO.

Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You.
Psalms 56:3

Please pray tests will be negative. Thank you.
Taeja Hamilton—Continued prayers for her cousin, **Yvonne Dutches** who has thyroid cancer, stage 4. Pray for comfort and healing.
Dianne Thomas—General prayer for everyone.

Continued Prayers & Updates:

Shawn Swanier—2) She has some decisions to make. Pray for God's guidance as she makes those decisions. 2) Requested prayers for trust in God and stability for her family.

Linda Christy—She is struggling with a situation that has left her soul unsettled. Please keep her in prayer as she needs time to process and focus on this situation through prayer and meditation.

Linda Faye Hays—Requested prayers for herself, as her white blood cell count is low. Her cancer is stage one, but triple negative which means it is the fastest growing kind. It is aggressive so therefore more concerning. Please continue to keep her in prayer.

Hermenia Rodgers—Continued prayers for her family: **Tony, Andreka, & Cory**. Her sister, **Bernice Carter**, and the grandson of her friend, **Gloria Lewis, Kory, who was born premature. UPDATE:** **Kory Lewis** is doing better and is now weighing 3 lbs. Please continue to pray for his growth and development. Thank you.

Laverne Boykin—UPDATE: **Terrell Boykin** is improving and may not have to have the facial surgery. Continue to keep him in prayer for complete healing and pray for Laverne as she cares for him. Continued prayers for **Laverne's brother-in-law, Carl Hunter** for health issues.

Continued prayers for the families who have lost loved ones recently: **Baber, Hubbard, Hamilton, Meurkson and Selvick.**

Shawn Swanier—Prayers for her husband, **Virgil, health issues.**

Laverne Boykin—Requested prayers for her niece, **Pat**, who will be having back surgery.

Alma Swinton—Requested prayers for her son that his situation will improve

Laverne Boykin—Requested prayers for her friend, **Barbara Russell and for her sister, Aliene Gray**—Health issues.

Shirley Green—Her friend, **Tressie** had a stroke.

Alma Swinton—Requested prayers for her friend, **Susie Davis**, health issues.

Frances Draper—Continued prayers for her uncles **Shelton and Nate for health issues.**

Taeja Hamilton—Continued prayers for **Baby Creed** who was born premature and is still hospitalized and also please pray for their family and a co-worker, **Thelma**, who has cancer.

James Webb—Requested continued prayer for his wife, **Dorothy—Health issues.**

Shirley Green—Requested prayers for herself as she has dialysis 3 times a week. Please pray for

safety.
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.

Anita Meacham Williams—Continued prayers for **Neal's mother**, due to the loss of her husband, and for her brother, **Thomas McAllister** who had surgery for prostate cancer and will be going through radiation and chemo.

Anita Meacham Williams—Requested prayers for her nephew, **Damon McAllister**—Health issues.

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

Anita & Neal Williams—Continued prayer for **Anita's brother, Sam McAllister**, and two of **Anita's cousins: Calvin Boyce—stroke, and Niani Toban—Lupus.**

Lori White—1) Requested prayers for **Thelma Davis and Nicholas** for health issues.

pray that her lung issue will be resolved.
Ruby Coleman—Continued prayers for her family.

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

Shirley Green: Requested prayers for her friend, **Tressia Davis**, whose husband, **Jim**, has been admitted to the hospital. He has cancer and is in intensive care.

Janett Lewis: Requested prayers for her nephew, **Michael Whitmore**, diagnosed with schizophrenia but stopped taking his medications.

Chuck Hays—Requested prayers for his grandson, **Kenny**, who has liver failure and is seriously ill. He's only 29. Please pray for the Hays family.

Frances Draper—Continued prayers for her sister, **Shirley**, who has dementia, and for their family as they work with her.

Lori Carter—Requested prayers for her friend, **Cindy**, who has breast cancer.

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

Hermenia Rodgers—Continued prayers for her sister, **Gail Irby**, for the feeling to return to her extremities.

Continued prayers for **Howard Croom.**

Ronald Anthony—Prayers for his family members in Michigan.

Hermenia Rodgers—Requesting prayers for her friend, **Gloria Lewis**, suffering with Vertigo.

Morris Jordan—Prayers for strength and back pain.

Lu'wana Sodomani—Pray for improved health.
Ryan Anthony—Health issues.
Keenan Modica—Military. (Belinda's nephew).