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**ZEPHYR CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

SHARING THE LOVE AND  
JOY OF JESUS

**1 THESSALONIANS 5:18**

**Give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this God's will for you in  
Christ Jesus.**

## PRAYERS & PRAISE

- ◆Church leaders - wisdom & guidance
- ◆Ellen Annis - health concerns
- ◆Gary Buckland - serious heart issues
- ◆Michael Cain - cancer treatment
- ◆Shelli Candy - brain tumor/bakers cyst/kidneys
- ◆Jan Chapman - illness (Linda Vollstedt)
- ◆Desiray Cook - Praise the Lord! Shingles gone!
- ◆Tammy Cook - Praise the Lord getting well!
- ◆Keith Dalton's mother - in nursing home
- ◆Katherine Ferrell - dementia (Michele Danella's mother)
- ◆Rich Fulton - recovery
- ◆Char Henderson - heart health
- ◆Suzan Ice & Family - cancer removed, Praise the Lord!
- ◆Jesse Gardner - co-worker's mother has cancer of the spine
- ◆Kathy Knapp - recovery
- ◆Jim Lewis - health (Ellen Buckland)
- ◆Helen & Mel Marshall - inflammation/strength
- ◆Tom McGinty- health issues
- ◆Gary & Pat Nicholson - peace and health
- ◆Donny Paiz - losing sight (Danny Paiz)
- ◆Allan and Alice Poole - health concerns
- ◆Happy Reed - Praise the Lord, his heart is doing well.
- ◆Edna - loss of hearing (Happy Reed)
- ◆Dan Scott - cancer returned (Nancee Scott's son)
- ◆Denise Stewart - health
- ◆Talona and family - (Shelli Candy's granddaughter)
- ◆Matt White - cancer spreading (Faith Stivers' son-in-law)
- ◆Vernon Yoder - recovery from stroke (Marti Bontrager)
- ◆Crystal Zelinke - injections
- ◆Gino Zito - anxiety and heart issues

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| 2<br>WORSHIP<br>10AM &<br>4PM A.B.S  | 3  | 4                         | 5 W.B.S<br>1PM/Kidzone<br>5:30 -7PM      | 6                           | 7  | 8<br>MEN'S<br>BREAKFAST<br>9AM/Z.C.C.   |
| 9<br>WORSHIP<br>10AM &<br>4PM A.B.S  | 10 | 11                        | 12 W.B.S<br>1PM/<br>KidZone<br>5:30 -7PM | 13                          | 14 | 15                                      |
| 16<br>WORSHIP<br>10AM &<br>4PM A.B.S | 17 | 18<br>Elders'<br>Mtg. 9AM | 19                                       | 20                          | 21 | 22<br>KIDZ ZONE<br>OUTING<br>12PM – 3PM |
| 23<br>WORSHIP<br>10AM &<br>4PM A.B.S | 24 | 25                        | 26<br>W.B.S<br>1PM/<br>Kidzone           | 27<br>Happy<br>Thanksgiving | 28 | 29                                      |

### Stay Connected.....

**MEN'S GROUP** - Thursday evenings @ 7:00 PM, contact Cole Wernette (813-345-7526) if interested.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Wednesdays at 1:00 PM. Meeting at Pam Smith's (37040 Lakota Circle). If you have any questions please call Linda Vollstedt (309-532-2613) or Pam Smith (330-437-6521).

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY** - Meeting at 4:00 PM on Sundays. If you have any questions please call the office number 813 - 782 - 8893.

**ZCC KIDZ (Preschool - High School)** - Meet on Wednesdays from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Text Cherie' Osborne if you need a ride (813-924-0372).

**ELDERS' MEETING** - Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM. All church members are invited to attend.

# November Celebrations

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9 - Joice Blevins

16 - Christi Dobbs

18 - Bill Perkins

18 - Tim Herkel

22 - Janet Weber

23 - Jennifer Andresen

27 - John Adam Roque

29 - Paty Roque

29 - Tristin Wernette

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## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4 - Bill & Karol Perkins

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*"We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
when we pray for you." – Colossians 1:3*

# MISSION NEWS .....

**LAKE AURORA CHRISTIAN CAMP** - As we look to the new season, it is evident there is still more to do to encourage the family, speak Truth to the youth, and build up leaders for the local church and beyond. Lake Aurora is more than a camp; it is a ministry. God is raising many to come alongside in our efforts. Those with time to volunteer, those with generous hearts, no matter their means, and those who are on their knees as prayer warriors to fight the spiritual battles. Thank you for caring, encouraging, and challenging this ministry to be all that it can be for the sake of Christ's Kingdom. He is always faithful! Thank you for praying with our Board, staff, and churches for clarity on the next steps, identifying the priority opportunities, and for the camp ministry of tomorrow.

**FAMILY MINISTRIES OF FLORIDA** - is a residential children's home organization dedicated to providing quality homes and an educational environment, both of which are grounded in Christian principles. Our campus plays an important part in impacting the lives of our children. Our plan is to have a facility that will allow us to put all of our programs (Educational, Physical & Nutritional, Therapeutic and Spiritual) under one roof. We call this the Education Center. The facility will be approximately 30,000 sq ft.



## **Youth & Children Outing**

**Haynes Farm - Visit with the farm animals!**

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**11: 30 AM - 3:30 PM**

**Hot Dogs & S'mores around the fire pit.**

**We leave church parking lot at 11:30 AM!**



## WHO IS CHRISTMAS???

Children's Christmas Program Practice: October 26<sup>th</sup>, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, November 9<sup>th</sup>, November 16<sup>th</sup>, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, December 7<sup>th</sup>, and December 14<sup>th</sup>. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM.

Program: December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Everyone Invited!

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As Thanksgiving approaches, let's take a moment to reflect on this day: gratitude and togetherness. While we celebrate, let's also remember those who might be spending the day alone. A simple invitation or a kind gesture can make all the difference.

- **Be Thankful:** Take time to appreciate the blessings in your life, big or small. Gratitude has a way of filling our hearts with joy and perspective. Take a moment to share why we are thankful.
- **Invite Others In:** If you know someone who might be alone this Thanksgiving—a neighbor, a coworker, or a friend—consider inviting them to join your celebration. Sharing a meal or even a conversation can create lasting warmth and connection.
- **Spread Kindness:** If hosting isn't possible, reach out with a phone call, a thoughtful message, or even a small token of care. Let them know they're not forgotten.

Dear Zephyr Christian Family,

I always find it encouraging when archaeology discovers things that prove or help explain the Bible. Here are several interesting things that were uncovered by archaeologists in the last few months:

They discovered, in an ancient Philistine temple, the remnants of hallucinogenic plants. We believed, from ancient writings, that part of the worship of false gods included mind-altering substances, but now we have unmistakable evidence. Isn't it wonderful that our God doesn't ask us to set aside reason or clear thinking to know Him, but that He actually wants us to be in our best frame of mind to come to Him and understand Him?

The earliest ship ever discovered in the deep seas was found 56-miles off the coast of Israel. The 3,300-year-old boat itself is about 43-feet long. Scholars are saying that this discovery completely changes the understanding of ancient sailors and their abilities. The hull of the boat contains hundreds of two-handled storage jars used to transport anything from grain to wine to oil.

Up until this past year, we did not have any contemporaneous evidence for the Kingdom of David. We had evidence that looked back and claimed that there was a Kingdom of David, but nothing from the time of that kingdom. However, in the last year they have found pieces of a monument from that time period and, when pieced together, they reference the Kingdom of David.

This is a little bit of a cheat, as it was originally discovered in 2010 but was then packaged for later investigation, only to be rediscovered in an office and then evaluated. What they found was an ancient earring. It was found in an archaeological dig from the time of Solomon. What is interesting is that the earring is Phoenician, and scholars believe it is evidence of what is recorded in 1 Kings 5 of Hiram, King of Tyre, sending workers and servants to Solomon when Solomon became king of Israel.

To be clear, we do not believe the Bible BECAUSE of these evidences...we believe the Bible because it is the Word of God. And whenever history, science, or archaeology makes a discovery it always confirms what the Bible teaches. So, while these evidences might cause frustration for the skeptics, they should only affirm what we already know and believe.

Sincerely,

Jon