



**Scottie Barner.** Breast cancer.

**Jonathan Beavers.** Upcoming surgery.

**Brandi Beavers.** Health concerns.

**The Beavers Children.** Health concerns.

**Debbie Brooks.** Health concerns.

**Sibbie Byrd.** Nursing home. Health concerns.

**Brooklyn Carronna.** Grand niece to Kitty & Rita. Autoimmune disorder.

**Drew Clifton.** Need of prayer.

**Jesse Dalton & Family.** Coworker of Kevin Wyatt. His father is hospitalized.

**Hester Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Matthew Hollandsworth.** Health concerns.

**Wes Johnson.** Friend of Cookie Spencer. Cancer.

**Steven Kelly.** Cancer.

**Ryan Kendrick.** Special needs.

**Rita Lawless.** Health concerns.

**Karen Lovell.** Health concerns.

**Paul Mays.** Health concerns.

**Ruby Mason.** Health concerns.

**Jaydan Patrick.** Special needs.

**Carolyn Roop.** Health concerns.

**Joe & Marcia Shulam.** Health concerns.

**Kitty Shumate.** Back problems

**Virginia “Cookie” Spencer.** Health concerns.

**Tommy Stanley.** Sherita’s husband. Having some unexpected complications following surgery.

**Janice Stockman.** Mother of James Patrick’s coworker. Car accident.

**Sharon Teschendorf.** Dementia.

**Velvet Wyatt.** Recovering from a broken arm.

**Wayne Youngblood.** Parkinson’s & Dementia.

**Caregivers.**

**Our Country, Leaders & Military**



**Family of Barbara Oliver.** Barbara passed away on Tuesday, May 6, 2025. No arrangements at this time.



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## Times We Meet:

### Sunday:

**Bible Study:** 9:30 a.m.

**Worship:** 10:30 a.m.

### Thursday:

**Ladies’ Class:** 10:00 a.m.

**Virtual Psalms Class:**  
12:30 p.m. on Facebook.



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## ***Mothers: The Heart of the Family***

Nations rise and fall, empires prosper or crumble and men are stirred to great accomplishment s or driven to shameful failure often because of the influence of a wife or mother. The wise poet has properly said, “The hand that rocks the cradle, is the hand that rules the world.”

For most women, motherhood is a great privilege, a crowning joy and a sublime fulfillment. Perhaps the greatest privilege of motherhood is that of sharing and giving. No one shares and gives as a mother does. She shares her body with another in order to conceive. She shares it again with her unborn child. Then she shares her time, energy and talent with it after it is born in order to meet its needs and cause it to grow and develop. But most of all, she shares her heart and her love as she weeps, laughs, sorrows and rejoices with her child through the months and years of infancy, adolescence and youth and adulthood.


Motherhood, while being a great privilege, also involves obligation. No task on earth requires more dedication, greater skill or fuller commitment.

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**“Mothers” Continued from Front Page...** Her responsibilities demand devotion to the highest ideals and patient perseverance over long years of time. Her task is formidable, because there is no human obligation that is less adaptable to substitution than motherhood. You can substitute for the teacher, policeman, governor, and almost anyone else but no one has found an adequate substitute for a mother’s love.

The greatest writers and speakers of the ages have tried to capture the fullness of motherhood but all have failed to maximize it. Only in Scripture do we see the blessedness of a good mother fully described. “Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praises her; Many daughters have done well, But you excel them all. Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, But a woman who fears the lord, she shall be praised” (Prov. 31:28-31).

Happy and blessed is the home and the children of a loving mother, one devoted to her husband, children, and the Lord. Let us thank God if our home is so blessed.  
—Gene Taylor




### What is True Love?

“Love” is one of the most loosely-used words in the English language. This creates a lot of confusion about what true love really is. In 1 Corinthians 13:8, the apostle Paul said, “Love never fails.” Yet many times couples will say they have fallen out of love with one another. Such an attitude shows that they never really understood how God defines love.

Most people think of love as a strong, warm feeling of affection for someone or something. Certainly there is an emotional aspect to love. Between spouses, there are even romantic feelings. But in the Bible, love is not just something one feels, it is a decision of the will to help others even if one must sacrifice of oneself to do so. That’s how God and Christ love us and that’s how we should love others.

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### May Birthdays!

11TH SIMON BEAVERS  
22ND ANNIE BEAVERS  
23RD LIZ THOMPSON  
23RD JAMES PATRICK




### Men’s Breakfast!

Our Next Men’s Breakfast is scheduled for Sat May 24th! At a new time! Join us at Clarence’s Steakhouse in Ridgeway at 9:00 a.m. for food & fellowship.



### Pizza/Movie Nights!

Our next Pizza & Movie Nights will be on June 7th! Pizza Supper at 4:45pm and Movie at 5:00pm.



### Potter Children’s Home Commodities Drive!

Please bring in the following by Sunday, June 8: Honey Nut Cheerios, Cheez-Its, Chicken Ramen, Brown Rice and Grape Juice. Also, if you would like to donate funds to help buy perishable items, please place your donation in the offering box and mark it for Potter. All items and funds must be in by June 8th!



### Upcoming Events:

[Ccocva.org/events](http://Ccocva.org/events)







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### Electronic Giving








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<div data-bbox="56 144 201 289"></div> <div data-bbox="239 152 655 256"> <h3>Mother's Day is Re- membrance Day</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="56 310 655 956"> <p>We pause on the path of the year To pay honor and worshipful tribute To the Mother our heart holds dear... For, whether here or in heaven, Her love is our haven and guide, For always the memory of Mother Is a beacon light shining inside... Time cannot destroy her memory And years can never erase The tenderness and the beauty Of the love in a Mother's face... And, when we think of our Mother, We draw nearer to God above, For only God in His Greatness Could fashion a MOTHER'S LOVE.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="346 964 669 997"> <p>—Helen Steiner Rice</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="709 144 846 289"></div> <div data-bbox="857 152 1314 201"> <h3>Appreciating Mother</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="709 254 1319 769"> <p>Not until I became a mother did I understand how much my moth- er had sacrificed for me. Not until I became a mother did I feel how hurt my mother was when I diso- beyed. Not until I became a mother did I know how proud my mother was when I achieved. Not until I became a mother did I re- alize how much my mother loves me.</p> <p>—Victoria Farnsworth</p> </div> <div data-bbox="709 802 846 946"></div> <div data-bbox="895 812 1290 860"> <h3>Wonderful Mother</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="709 914 1319 1429"> <p>God made a wonderful mother, A mother who never grows old; He made her smile of the sunshine, And He molded her heart of pure gold; In her eyes He placed bright shining stars, In her cheeks fair roses you see; God made a wonderful mother, And He gave that dear mother to me.</p> <p>—Pat O'Reilly</p> </div> <div data-bbox="747 1451 1276 1555"></div>
<div data-bbox="56 1032 690 1563"></div>	<div data-bbox="1362 753 1502 898"></div> <div data-bbox="1798 763 2333 812"> <h3>Jesus the Good Shepherd</h3> </div> <div data-bbox="1362 862 2569 940"> <p>"Save your people and bless your inheritance; be their shepherd and carry them forever" (Psalm 28:9).</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1362 992 2623 1511"> <p>As Jesus is "in the beginning" and the agent for creation, history is His story. There-fore, we should be able to see Jesus in the Bible's poetry. We see Him as the living re-deemer in Job, the lover or bridegroom in Song of Songs, and wisdom itself in Ecclesi-astes and Proverbs. But, most powerfully we see him as our shepherd in Psalms. Da-vid, a humble shepherd himself, uses the imagery of shepherds in this favorite book for many to help us understand the attributes of God in many places as He protects and cares for His sheep, binding up the injured and leading them to green pastures with quiet waters. This all helps us to understand the Savior, who is God, so much better when He declares Himself as the Good Shepherd, who lays His life down for His sheep in John 10 that God said He would be in Ezekiel 34. But this also highlights our role as the sheep. It's not enough just to know that the Good Shepherd is about His duties. We must listen to His voice, distinguishing His voice from others and trusting in Him alone. But do we? Do you trust in the Shepherd of our souls?</p> </div> <div data-bbox="2357 1520 2615 1552"> <p>—Doug Kashorek</p> </div>

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### Needed: Personal Evangelism

How wonderful it is to be needed! One of the joys of marriage. One of the joys of parenthood. One of the joys of Christianity. There are physical needs, and there are spiritual needs. Everyone has a need for something or someone. True of kings and true of hermits. True of Christ, the world and us. This article will stress the needs involved in personal evangelism.

Christ has revealed His need. He needs “fishers of men” (Matthew 4:19). He needs “labourers” (Matthew 9:37). He needs “teachers” (Matthew 28:20). His need is perpetual (Matthew 28:20). In the day of judgment, we can’t laugh this off nor argue it away! Without God we can’t convert a single soul; without us God will not (John 15:1-6). Souls need to be coming to Christ in a steady stream. The fields are white unto harvest (John 4:35). The invitation is extended (Matthew 11:28-30). The power of salvation is the gospel (Romans 1:16). Man is powerless to save himself. The gospel is man’s only hope (1 Corinthians 1:21). Personal evangelism coupled with mass evangelism is the way! This is the first century method (Acts 2:46; Acts 20:20). Today’s great need is a first century method with first century power producing a first century result!



It is estimated that 95 percent of church members never win a soul! Think of it! If this is true, 5 percent do 100 percent of the personal evangelism! We can become so busy with “churchianity” that we don’t have time for “Christianity!” This means we may be majoring in the minors and minoring in the majors! No plainer or more emphatic language has been used on any subject (John 15:1-6 and Luke 13:5-9). Must I go and be empty handed? Thus my dear Redeemer meet? Not one day of service give Him, lay no trophy at His feet? O ye saints, arouse, be earnest, up and work while ’tis day, Ere night of death overtake thee. Strive for souls while still you may!



We must put forth a definite effort to persuade a definite person to obey a definite Savior at a definite time! How can we remain idle when we know that the longing in Christ’s heart for the lost to be saved remains unsatisfied? —J.T. Bristlow

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### Matthew 13:53-58

1. True or False: The people in His own country were not very impressed with His teaching in the synagogue.
2. “Where did this *Man* get this \_\_ and *these* \_\_ works?”
3. The people understood Jesus to be a \_\_’s son.
4. Did Jesus have brothers and sisters?
5. “A prophet is not without \_\_ except in his own \_\_ and in his own \_\_.”

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 7!



### Did You Know This About Ecclesiastes?

Jewish tradition says that Solomon wrote Song of Solomon during his youthful years, Proverbs during his middle years, and Ecclesiastes in his later years.

In the book of Ecclesiastes, Solomon identifies himself seven times as the “preacher,” a translation of the Hebrew word *qopheleth* (co-HELL-et). It has the meaning of “leader of the assembly,” or “speaker of the assembly.” It could also have the meaning of a collector of words or wisdom. The word *qopheleth* appears only in Ecclesiastes.

The key word in Ecclesiastes is “vanity,” occurring 37 times, as Solomon realizes in his search for meaning and satisfaction in life on earth, the only thing that matters is to fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

—Matt Clifton

