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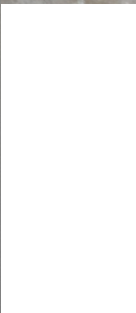


ZEPHYR CHRISTIAN CHURCH

**SHARING THE LOVE AND
JOY OF JESUS**

1 Peter 1:3 NASB “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead”.

Praise the Lord, we are getting closer.....



PRAYERS & PRAISE

- ◆ **Storm Recovery**
- ◆ **S.A.C.M.** - Praise the Lord, car provided!
- ◆ **Church Leaders** - wisdom, unity, growth & seeking God
- ◆ **Jeff Aker** - broken hip/leg (C. Osborne)
- ◆ **Ellen Annis** - health concerns
- ◆ **Norman Budd** - cancer
- ◆ **Shelli Candy** - brain tumor/comfort
- ◆ **Keith Dalton** - mom in nursing home/daughter Michelle in hospice
- ◆ **Family & Friends of Pat Fugitt** - Pat passed away
- ◆ **Char Henderson** - heart problems
- ◆ **Tim Herkel** - pain/arthritis
- ◆ **Jeff & Dona Lafere** - recovery following car accident
- ◆ **Gary & Pat Nicholson** - peace & health
- ◆ **Adrian Painter** - recovery/infection
- ◆ **Allan & Alice Poole** - health concerns
- ◆ **Happy Reed** - upcoming heart surgery
- ◆ **Michael Roque** - tumor
- ◆ **Sue Sabatucci** - Praise the Lord getting better!
- ◆ **Dan Scott** - cancer (Nancee Scott)
- ◆ **Denise Stewart** - lungs
- ◆ **Talona & Family** - (Shelli Candy's granddaughter)
- ◆ **Vernon Yoder** - stroke/discouraged (Marti's Bontrager)
- ◆ **John Zelinske** - broke foot/ recovery from surgery

Birthdays:

- 2 - Sarah Baumberger
- 2 - Jim Huston
- 9 - Mae Krempleski
- 10 - Teresa Maness
- 14 - Linda Zito
- 15 - Steve Cooper
- 19 - Rosemary Cooper
- 27 - Tom Baker




Anniversaries:

- 14 - Troy & Dawn Freeman
- 19 - Felix & Ismette Robles
- 28 - Walt & Bea Mielke



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4 Worship Gem Estates 10 AM	5	6	7 Women's Bible Study 1pm/KidZCC 5:30 -7 PM @ G.C.	8	9	10
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18 Worship Gem Estates 10 AM	19	20 Elders Meeting 9 AM	21 W.B.S. 1PM/ KidZCC 5:30 - 7 PM	22 G.C.	23	24
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REMINDERS: Men's Saturday Breakfast @ Dade City Christian Church, May 10th, 9 AM

Mother's Day- May 11th

Memorial Day- May 26th - May we never forget! - May we never forget the sacrifice of so many who gave their life for our country.

ZEPHYR CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MEETING , 11:30 AM @ the Chinese Buffet on May 13th. Please R.S.V.P. to Karen Baker (863-602-5180).

Dear Zephyr Christian Family,

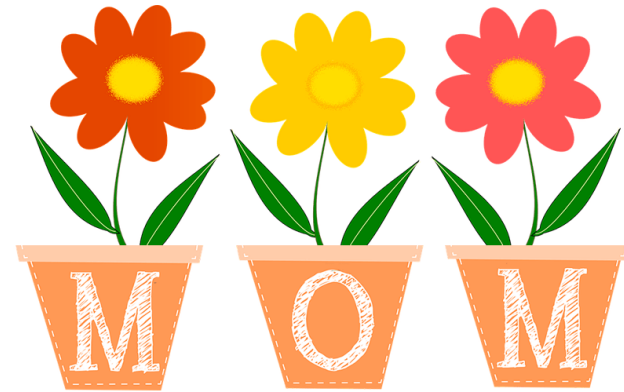
I recently saw an interesting news item — my immediate reaction was to be upset; but then I realized that we sometimes do the same thing. What I saw was that there have been several Catholic hospitals and health care systems being sued over failed pregnancies. And the Catholic health care systems are going to court saying that they should not be held responsible because a fetus is not a human life! Back in 2013, this happened in Colorado — a couple lost twins and they sued the hospital. The hospital said that the Wrongful Death Act did not recognize fetuses as persons, to limit damages. Eventually there was enough of a backlash that the lawyers met with Catholic bishops and changed their strategy — the lawyers apologized and fell in line with church doctrine.

But now the whole thing is happening again, this time in Iowa. An expectant mother went to Emergency with symptoms of preeclampsia. She was examined and sent home. She had to go back to Emergency with the same symptoms and was again sent home. The next time they did an emergency C-section and the little baby girl was stillborn. The parents are suing for medical malpractice, but the hospital is saying that damages are limited because a fetus is not technically a patient and that “there can be no recovery (of damages) on behalf of, or for, a nonexistent person.”

It is easy to shake our heads at this and cluck our tongues...and we should — we should try to hold those who claim to be followers of Christ and followers of the Bible to actually hold to the teachings of Christ and the Bible! And the Bible often warns us that actually following Jesus might be costly and uncomfortable. But how often have we crossed a line because we didn't want to pay the price for following Christ?

Sincerely,

Jon B. Stradtner



Just as God gives to each rose
A gentle touch of dew
And gives unto each evening sky
The lovely sunset's hue

So may He give to you
From His enduring love
Great happiness
And hearts' content
And blessings from above.

- Author Unknown