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Real Life News & Notes

Relevant, Serving, Growing Family of Jesus Followers

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<u>Elder Of Month</u>

Bryan Crowe

# Our Sunday Gathering!



Sermon: "The Spirit's Guarantee" - Aroma of Christ #6.

Paul's knows there exists a certain amount of fear in faith, especially as it pertains to sharing, spreading and living that faith out every day in a culture that is often hostile towards those professing allegiance to anyone besides Caesar and Rome. Paul says, Take courage! These bodies are only tents and yes they will collapse and suffer, but the Spirit has guaranteed you an "eternal house," an "immortal body." This changes everything!

(See you in chapter 5 of 2 Corinthians!)

"From now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view." - Apostle Paul

"Jesus is not Trigger Happy. The posture most natural to Him is not a pointed finger but open arms." – Dane Ortlund

Welcome! We hope many of you are here in person again this morning! Feel free to adjust or move the chairs to accommodate your family group! We know many will be joining us via the Live Stream as well.

I ove One Another

Memory Verse for January—Revelation 21:5a

He who was seated on the throne said "I am making everything new!"



#### Sips from the well (by Doug Clayton)

#### 2021 - It's Your Move!

I can't seem to find the origin of the phrase "The ball is in your court." I am guessing it's an athletic expression, basketball or tennis perhaps. When spoken to someone it is their turn to, act, move, respond, or decide. Most often it is not an empowering or kind gesture rather a challenge or ultimatum. Yet coming from the Father of Lights it doesn't sound as much like a confrontation as an invitation, an opportunity, a call to glory!

The Bible reveals countless "It's your move" moments where God did something, said something, asked something, and then with eternal patience sat back and just let it hang there to see what His humans would do.

- The Word came to earth as a baby in a manger. It's your move.
- You are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. It's your move.
- Turn the other cheek, go the second mile, pray for those who persecute you, love your enemies.
   It's your move.
- Let the one among you who is without sin cast the first stone. It's your move.
- Neither do I condemn you, go and sin no more. It's your move.
- Unless you are born again you cannot see the kingdom of God. It's your move.
- Come to me if you are weary and burdened and I will give you rest. It's your move.
- It is finished. It's your move.

As God gifts us with a new year, a new stewardship awaits. It's as if the Lord is saying, "How did my church respond to 2020 with the civil unrest, racial division, a virus, financial uncertainty, inconvenience, and divisive politics? How will those who follow my resurrected Son be more trusting, more patient, more faithful, more loving, more obedient, more grace-filled? How will these opportunities remold and re-make your lives to do justly, show mercy and walk humbly with Me in 2021? It's your move."



#### With Joyful Hearts

It is with joyful hearts that we celebrate the baptism of Dan Fortney. Dan was baptized on December 20 by his son, Colton, while Charlie DeLong conducted the service. God bless you, Dan. Your decision and your presence is a inspiration to all of us.

#### **Creative Christian Art Guild**

The Art Guild will meet today (January 3) at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan on being there as they will be planning the 2021 calendar. See Cindy King with questions.

#### **Children's Church**

I am planning on resuming children's church this Sunday. I have a book "Everyone A Child Should Know", about Saints from the past and the work they did. I think it would be fun to explore their stories and find correlating stories in the Bible.

God's Blessings Jeremy Antwine



**Prayer Request** 

Father,

We kneel before You asking for strength. You know our situation. You can see how broken we are. Heal our souls for the healing power lies solely in Your hands. Fix any broken part of our bodies and let it be to Your glory. Our hearts find rest in Your love, Your peace, and Your faithfulness. We know that You have our very best interests at heart and everything happening in our lives has a purpose.

Gage—4 month old grandson of Wes & Bridget Beaver. He is having trouble with his eyes. He will be seeing a neurologist in February for diagnostic tests. Keep him & the family in your prayers.

Linda Carley—Health Issues.

Jim Rowley—Cancer

Rick Martinez—Brain Tumor

Randy Brabec—awaiting kidney trans-

plant

Janet Hawkins—Cancer

Verena Lyons—Cancer

Reba Copley—Deteriorating health

Let Your will be done. In Jesus Name, Amen.



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#### For the Record

December 27, 2020

Attendance
Weekly Contributions December 27, 2020
Contribution 4 week average
Weekly Budget

\$4300.00 \$6252.75 \$6658.71

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Contribution: Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity as the Lord's work continues locally and globally!

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Online: pattersonroad.church - The little green "Give" button is at the top right.

We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves.

# Mike Hurd—Announcements for January—Roy Karo-February Bob Davis—Communion Talk for January 3, 2021

Richard & Peg Sisco—Communion Table Preparation for January—Farrel Harris—February

Sunday morning assembly begins at 10 AM. Face masks, hand sanitizer and social distancing are in place for your safety.

Youth Group will continue to meet on Wednesdays at 6 PM.
Vince Urbina—Wednesday Evening Bible Class—7 PM
Ladies Wednesday Evening Bible Class, Room 103—7 PM
Ladies Bible Class—Thursdays in Room 103—9:30 AM
Thursday Bible School—9:30 AM— Noon

Live Streaming—Sunday morning sermons are available for those who opt to stay at home a while longer. Go to the Church facebook page.

