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Texts for Sunday John 15:1-8

Next Sunday is Mother's Day

On Mother's day each mother will receive a book: Invitation to Mother's to Prayer for Mothers. The Preface states: "Each mother celebrates great joys in life as well as facing challenges of every kind and size. Philippians 4:6 encourages us to pray about everything. So whether you are the mother of a small child, adult children, the spiritual mother of a new believer or a mentor to other women, the prayers and Scriptures in this book will help you grow closer to God and experience the fullness of motherhood that God has ordained for you and those you love."



Gladys & Rosie



Youth Added Our Hands

FROM THE MINISTER

This morning the Nursery School is having their annual pony pictures in the courtyard. The photographer is setting up now and I wish you all could see this guy in action. He has the gift of making children laugh. Putting a child on a horse sounds like fun but for many children the experience is scary. This guy is gifted in putting children at ease. He has a laugh that is contagious.

In life knowing someone who can put us at ease in scary places is a gift we should treasure. We all need help and the hardest part is asking for it. But those who ask usually receive what they need and then some. We are blessed to have two adults who are working with our youth: Scott Field and Jennifer Lambert. I failed to mention Sunday that they are both called by God to this ministry. Jennifer has raised 2 children and Scott is just beginning his parenthood skills but has been a leader in the Marines with a large group of men in many

dangerous places. Scott and Jennifer are willing to listen first and then to share how their faith has helped them. This is what the body of Christ means in the real world. It makes connections and encourages the lives of all. Now remember, our youth ministry is not just who is working with the youth on Monday nights. It is a congregational responsibility to listen, encourage and share. That's why youth ministry is always intergenerational.

Chris C. Nettles



Cathy Hopkins & Chris

“Praying for Our Community”

Prayer for Robert Shively, minister of a
new church start in Oakland,

Sally Randall failed the swallowing test (what she
swallows goes into her lungs which mean she cannot
eat food). She will remain at Reche Canyon
Convalescent in hopes that her swallowing function
will return,

Vicki Garcia’s mother, Ruth Stephenson was treated
at the emergency room last night,
Miguel is a 7 year old student in
Gayle MacMillan’s class, who needs brain surgery to
relieve swelling of the brain,
Jim McGinnis’ dad was recently
hospitalized for major surgery
but is home now,

Shirley Baker is doing better but feels awful ,
Sally Randall is still at

Brian Dulaney is having toe surgery,
Maria Dulaney sees a surgeon today
about her knee injury at work,
Gene Cramer was back in worship
but is still sore after his fall,
Reba Mathis, Pearl Haynes,
Gene Cramer is improving but still sore,

Chapel Floor Installed

We thank those who helped finish the chapel
flooring this past week. In particular Jesse & Brian
Dulaney put in a couple of days. Before the floor
trim is added, some want to paint the room but it is
ready for use. The District 5 ministers will be the first
to use it on Wednesday and it will provide a beautiful
space for wedding reception this Saturday. And
when we choose it, it will again be a beautiful place
for a small wedding or funeral.



Elaine, Diana & Jessica

Last Saturday was Elaine Carb’s last Homeless
Feeding. Her decision is in part her leg problems and
the realization that we enough helpers to take her
place. So we want to thank Elaine for her sharing for
the past four years. Elaine has been one of our
generous people who provided much of the paper
products along with bread and extras. Please join me
in thanking Elaine, as have the recipients of over
5,000 sandwiches made with care and given out so
far.

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Our youth are available to do
Yard work or small projects
Call Scott Field to schedule

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY MAY 6

10:00 AM Bible Study today
12:00 Noon District 5 Lunch here @ Church

THURSDAY MAY 7

7:00 PM Choir Practice

SATURDAY MAY 9

3:30 PM Wedding for Cheri Quintana & Scott
Copenhaver in Courtyard (We are all invited)

SUNDAY MAY 10 Mother’s Day

9:15 AM Adult Church School
10:30 Worship
10:45 Worship & Wonder

MONDAY MAY 11

6:30-8:00 PM Youth Group
6:30-8:00 PM New Beginnings
Leadership Training

SUNDAY MAY 17

You are going back to Disneyland
(They is the 2nd of 4 visit tickets)

SUNDAY MAY 10, 2009

WORSHIP LEADER Kevin MacMillan
SONG LEADER
Sherry Nettles & Cathy Losee
COMMUNION PREP Linda Brandt
HOSPITALITY MINISTRY
Dorotha McCarver
HOSPITALITY Sherry Nettles

Vital Statistics

Worship Attendance: 76
7-12th Youth Group: 10 youth & 2 adults