



We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events:

**Happy Father's Day!!
Elders/Deacons Meeting:
Lunch after worship**

Upcoming Events:

June 19 – Meal: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Veggie Tray, Chips, Strawberry Sheet Cake

June 26 – Meal: Poppy Seed Chicken, Carrots, Salad, Rolls, Chocolate Delight

July 3 – Meal: Mexican Stack Up, Sopapilla Cheesecake

July 7-13 – LCCC Xtreme Week

July 10 – Meal: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Potato Salad, Watermelon, Chips, Cookies

July 14 – Francis Baby Shower: 2:00 p.m.

July 14-20 – LCCC Senior Session

July 14-20 – Pettijohn Springs Christian Camp: Session Ocho

July 17 – Meal: Chicken & Rice, Salad, Rolls, Chocolate Sheet Cake

July 24 – Meal: Taco Bar, Strawberry Dessert

July 31 – Meal: Sub Sandwiches, Veggie Tray, Chips, White Sheet Cake

For Our Guests:

- Our guest WIFI password is Mark1615.
- If you would like individual communion cups, they are located on the small table behind the pillar in the back of the auditorium.
- Our nursery, located in the hallway behind the foyer, is staffed with ladies that would love to help you. There is also a nursing mothers' room that is accessed by walking through the nursery.

Order of Worship

Song Leader/Welcome	Wesley Boyd
.....	<i>Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty</i>
Pilgrim's Praise	Cole Roberts
.....	<i>Let Us Worship the Father</i>
.....	<i>We Bow Down</i>
Prayer	TBD
.....	<i>Covenant of Love</i>
.....	<i>Pierce My Ear</i>
Communion Talk	Dee Plummer
Servers	Dan Kent, Cooper Thornton, Houston Moore, Cory Moore
.....	<i>Standing on the Promises</i>
Sermon: The End Draws Near	Erik Granberg
.....	<i>While We Pray & While We Plead</i>
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
Nursery	Jamie Barr, Meredith Plummer
Sound Booth/Slides	Terry Sherrill

Sermon Scripture:

Mark 14-15

Sermon Thought:

Mark 14 and 15 records the lead up to Jesus' crucifixion. We know this is something that Jesus dreaded because he asked that this "cup" be taken away. Yet in this moment, Jesus gives one of the great examples we have to follow, "Yet not what I will, but what you will." As followers, it is good for us to lay our hopes, plans, desires, fears, worries and concerns at God's feet. However, true surrender means allowing God to work his plans in our lives, even if we don't know where all this is going.

Sermon Questions:

1. Walking into the unknown is often intimidating. How is following God walking into the unknown?
2. What gives you the courage to walk into the unknown with God?
3. Share a time when walking with God was surprisingly good and times when it was surprisingly difficult.

Next Week's (6/23/24) Servants:

Song Leader
/Welcome: Dee Plummer

Pilgrim's Praise: Chris Taylor

Communion
Talk: Brian Wright

Servers: Danny Powers
Roger Unruh
Robb Mills
Gordon Jantz

Shepherd's
Prayer: Pat Meek

Sound Booth/
Slides: Dudley Darrow

Nursery: Michelle Pettus
Jeanita Meek

Wed. (19th)
Toddler/
Preschool
Teacher: Wendy Taylor

Greeters For
June: Faye Garrison
Joy Williams

This Week's Birthdays:

17th.....Deanna Chesser
18th.....Jamie Barr
22nd.....Joy Williams

This Week's Anniversaries:

16th.....Willie & Diana Russell

Recent Prayer Requests:

Liz Hendry Family – wife of a former North Garland minister; passed away last week

Billie Jo Morris Family – former member Ruth Stafford's sister; passed away last week

Debbie Martin – being treated for several health issues

The Power of Influence

After 27 years of planting churches that will cover 44 capital cities, we are now down to 2. The 42nd church was planted last November 2023 in Nabunturan, down in southern Mindanao. It is so amazing how the MOSES team have inspired other Christians across the Philippines to plant churches as well. Many had been Christians who volunteered in our church planting, then when they returned home they inspired their local church to plant churches in nearby capital cities, about 10 churches were planted this way. The power of influence is amazing! God used those church planting experiences to inspire other Christians to do the same. It is now a trend among churches of Christ in the Philippines to plant churches in their neighboring towns and villages. For instance, the Christians in a very huge peninsula of Zamboanga have identified all the towns in their area and they have started planting churches from town to town. Most of the leaders in this endeavor are members of the MOSES team.

We also have the blessing of churches like the one planted in Masbate almost 20 years ago, that has planted 5 churches in the outlying towns by themselves. It is so encouraging to see what we planned and dreamed about back at the Philippine Mission Forum in November 1997 hosted by North Garland coming to fruition.

Church planting has a life in itself, I think it is like a wildfire that is difficult to stop. Thank God that 27 years ago God gave us a vision and boldness to step out into uncharted water and plan to go where no one has planted a church before in 44 capital cities across the Philippines. We are so thankful for all the love & support the North Garland church of Christ has given our family and work through the years. You were our sponsoring church from 1994-2011. You have continued to support us, the work, you have helped plant several churches, sent a team to help plant the church in BayBay, Leyte back in 2005. We have enjoyed a great & blessed partnership with you all through the years. We could not have done this work without you dreaming & working with us.

This coming September, we will be planting the 43rd church in San Jose, Antique. The Boerne church of Christ will be sponsoring this church. They will be sending a team to join with the MOSES team. This will be their first time to come visit & work here.

Then finally next year, in 2025, the North Garland church will sponsor the 44th church planting in Calapan, Mindoro. We are excited to see all the plans and works you all have done to help send a team of workers here. We are so so thankful for all the hard work of Bill Oldham and his team for raising money and organizing the trip for next year. Please continue to pray for the churches planted and the work still to be done.

Because of Him who love us,
Richard & Becky
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