

## Message & Mission

When we look in scripture, there are several people who are sent with a specific purpose or message. Angels and prophets are sent with messages of disaster or blessing. God usually had a way of receiving the blessing or averting the disaster. It is the way God communicates with people willing to listen. There were many messengers from God in the Old Testament that had his words and did his will. Their life didn't always reflect the privilege God had given them.

We recognize Jesus as a messenger of God who was also able to be the example and become the sacrifice for us. The life he lived was an example of the message he brought. He did all the things he taught. He was passionate about his message, and it showed in his life. He died on a cross to defeat death and become the final sacrifice for us. For the first time, we see the message from God lived out in real time. Every situation and every conversation was in direct relation to God. He acted on God's initiative.

When Jesus taught his disciples, it was so that they could also speak. They knew from the beginning they would be living a different life to speak to others. He would send them on a mission to reach others with the message of God. They would have the words of God and show the principles they were teaching. This did not come easy. They went through three years of training, not just to learn the message, but to bring their lives in line with the message.

We cannot talk about a God of love in a hateful way. We cannot explain grace when we don't show grace to others. The life must fit the message. After Jesus had trained his disciples, he sent them to the world to make disciples. We have the same message and mission. The strength of our message is in how we live it. If it works for us, then others will believe it. We are all about the mission of God.

--Terry

### Welcome to the Family

● **Baptism:** *Sabrina Miller*, . Sabrina is the daughter of Matt & Valerie Miller and was baptized by her dad.

● **Added to the Family:** *Francisco Ramirez*, . New to our Spanish family.

● **Address:** *Danny & Jennifer Beagle*,

### Order of Worship

*Song Leader: Mike Corder*

#### **Flag Ceremony**

**Song 794: "Unto Thee, O Lord"**

**Song 63: "I Will Call Upon the Lord"**

**Welcome & Prayer: Miguel Arevalo**

**Song 239: "In Moments Like These"**

**Song 387: "Tell Me the Story of Jesus"**

**Song 344: "Low in the Grave He Lay"**

**Communion: John Camp**

**Song 470: "Victory In Jesus"**

**Song 452: "Standing on the Promises"**

**Scripture Reading: Psalm 66:16-20** *Jimmy Fox*

**Sermon: "When God Says No"** *Evan Todachine*

**Song 904: "Have You Been to Jesus?"**

**Mission Contribution: Kim Clark**

**Elder Remarks: Chuck Watts**

**Closing Prayer: Tim Carlin**



## Thanksgiving Pantry

Thanksgiving Pantry will be drastically scaled back this year due to social distancing. There will not be a breakfast, so bags and turkeys will be handed out to neighborhood families as they are on a typical pantry Saturday. The cost to sponsor a family meal is \$30--food will be purchased as needed. Another way to help is by bringing items needed for the special bags--stuffing, cake mix, frosting, cans of corn and/or green beans, cans of fruit, boxes of mac and cheese and gravy mix. These can be left in the hallway baskets.

### Thank You

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for the outpouring of loving support and prayer for our family in the loss of our dear Edith. The service was lovely. Thanks for the beautiful flower arrangement, the use of the facilities, and all the kindness that helps lighten our burden of grief. I'm so happy to be a part of the Mesa Church family. Thank You,

--Anthony Bryant & Family

### Widows' Ministry Request

*"Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world."* (James 1:27)

At first glance, this scripture could be understood solely as helping widows in their financial distress. While this would certainly be true, perhaps a more common distress would be their lack of companionship. Christianity is designed to be relational--a blessed fellowship and genuine concern for one another. What better way to show our faith than to visit a dear sister who is alone. In these COVID times, it may not be feasible in every situation to make a physical visit to a home, but certainly a "visiting" phone call would be wonderful and encouraging.

--Robin Verdugo, Widow's Ministry

### Tuesday Ladies' Class

Ladies class continues each Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall with Danell Fitzgerald teaching a class entitled "Testaments--Gleaning the Old & Practicing the New." Anyone wishing to join, please feel free to do so--remember to wear your mask.

### Fasting & Praying

A member has suggested, and the Elders agreed, that any members who can are encouraged to choose a day during this election season to fast and pray for God's will to be done in our nation during this time.

### Thank You

A big thanks to Becky Kingsbury and her packaging and delivery crews for the fun Halloween treats for our Mesa children!

### Children's Bible Hour Opening

We are excited to announce the reopening of Children's Bible Hour (CBH) beginning on November 8th. Starting next Sunday, from 10:30 at the beginning of our worship service until the end of worship service you will be able to drop off children between 4 years old and 3rd grade. We will be following a few added safety guidelines due to COVID-19.

- *First and foremost, we ask that if a child or any member of the household is sick that they remain at home.*
- *In keeping with the CDC guidelines for our children in public schools we will be requiring masks for our students and staff.*
- *There will be hand sanitizer available upon entry for everyone to use.*
- *As we reopen this program to maintain social distancing, we will be limiting our class size to 20 students. We will change this number as we iron out all the logistical problems presented with health safety in mind.*
- *We ask that you register on our website in advance. This way all who arrive will know whether their student will have to stay with them in the auditorium or be able to enter the classroom.*
- *Please register at [www.mesachurch.org/events](http://www.mesachurch.org/events)*
- *Upon arriving Sunday there will be check-in stations in each foyer. You will still enter the classroom area through the stairwell closest to the restrooms. You will now exit the upstairs through the opposite stairwell. This is to avoid traffic flow issues and expedite your student drop off.*

If you have any questions regarding this procedure give Joel Soumar a call at 772-643-1864 during office hours next week.

## Praise and Prayers

### new and critical

Lori Howerton ..... Health  
Michelle Black ..... Healing of broken arm  
Gaby Ivy (Wilburn's Daughter) ..... Hodgkin's Lymphoma  
Jon Hardin ..... Surgery recovery

### on-going health problems

Martha Carroll, Heather Jette, Luana Guthrie, Malta O'Gorman, Joan Piercy, Samuel DuBoise, Lynnita Knoch, Peter Ballesteros, Kevin Olson, Julie Vega, Debbie McMorries (S. Young's mom), April Norment (D. DuBoise's mom), Shirley Mathis, Kathy Marstein (P. Watkins' mom), Lori Howerton's Parents, Lynda Campbell, Jerra Bonebrake, Troy Price, Gloria Hadley, Jerra Bonebrake

### military prayers

Andrew Jones (C. Burd's G'son), Anthony Galvan (Millers G'son), Jake Hinkle (Hinkle's G'son), Briana Aston (S. Yeats' Niece), Michael Ford, Jake Teague (Grandson-in-law of Sue Johnson), Jared Cannon, Kyle Sharp, John Dunwoody, Zack Ubrig, Chris Kingsbury, Estevan Lopez

#### Shepherds

Jack Farr                      C.R. Gaines  
Jackie Hinkle                Kevin Hubby  
Vince McNeil                Chuck Watts

#### Ministers

Pulpit Minister: Terry Singleton  
Spanish Minister: Edison Quevedo  
Family Minister: Joshua DuBoise  
Youth Minister: Joel Soumar

### Attendance & Offering

Sunday Worship: 250+online

Wednesday: On-line only

Budget: \$13,027

Giving: \$10,529

YTD Average: \$11,733

**Children's bulletins are available at the Welcome Center. Please help your child choose the appropriate age level.**

**Contributions can be dropped in the containers at the doors following worship, given on-line, by setting up through your bank, by mail or dropped off at the office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**