

## Learning from Mom

If anyone tried to write a job description for a mother, no one would take that job. It is too overwhelming, and the time is all day every day. There are no off hours or vacation time. A mother can have a vacation, but she must take the family with her. There are no two mothers alike, and yet they all do similar things. Their kids are not alike, so the answer that works for one child may not work at all in a different family. They are basically responsible for everything in the life of their child. They may have a husband which can be a help with the kids but also adds more complication in the arranging of schedules, meals and what makes the family work well together.

A mother must be confident that she can handle the job knowing all the time that things can go wrong at any moment. Everyone else needs to know that everything is under control, so the answer given is, "Yes, it's all under control." Just when one stage of childhood is figured out, it is time for another one. The children's clothes don't fit anymore, and they outgrow their toys. It is not just that they get bored with them, but they develop so fast they aren't challenged by them anymore. The interest level in different things changes, and they are constantly needing new activities to keep up with their development.

A mother's relationship to God is most important. It changes the approach and direction of her life when she has children. She takes care of her relationship with God, but she also brings her children to a relationship with God. They watch her behavior, and they can see how she loves God and honors him. She can point them to the Bible and help them learn about God from the scripture. Their attitude toward God, authority, as well as right and wrong may come from her. She teaches them ethics and morals and bases all that on God rather than the people around her.

She not only tells them the important facts of the Bible but also about her faith. She takes them to church, and they learn about worship by watching her. She not only makes sure they participate in church, but they know what she believes. There are many discussions of theology that occur around the bedtime story. They learn how to pray from listening to her and getting encouragement to always talk to God. There are many miracles of faith that happen when children learn to pray. The first one they tell is their mom. It is because she taught them to have faith on their own. Many mighty men of God are only able to serve God because their mother put faith in their heart.

--Terry

### Mesa Family Directory Updates

- **Address:** Stephanie Garrison, .
- **Phone:** Sandy Olaguibel ().
- **Address of Note:** Zachary & Serina Christel, . Praise God Zach & Serina arrived at their destination safely!

### Order of Worship

- Song Leader: Mike Corder*
- Song 242: "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"**
- Song 296: "We Have Come into His House"**
- Welcome & Prayer: Joel Soumar**
- Song: "Your Love Never Fails It Never Gives Up"**
- Song 642: "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning"**
- Song: "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"**
- Communion & Contribution: Jeff Green**
- Song 596: "In the Desert of Sorrow and Sin"**
- Song 351: "He Bore It All"**
- Scripture Reading: Luke 1:26-33 Josiah McNeil**
- Sermon: "Mary, Did You Know?" Terry Singleton**
- Song 908: "There's a Stranger at the Door"**
- Shepherd's Prayer: Jackie Hinkle**

(Streaming Director: Charles Elgin / PowerPoint: Bruce Henthorn)

Seek Jesus,  
Find Jesus,  
Share Jesus-

*Jesus*

**Our Mission: Equip the family of God to be Jesus in the home, the community and the world.**



**Save the Date**

Plans are in the works for a special get together the late afternoon/early evening of June 19th to honor Terry & Nancy Singleton. More details will be coming as the date draws nearer, but please mark your calendar and save the date!

**Will Work for Cash!**

A number of teens are willing to do odd jobs in order to earn money for summer camp! Joel Soumar is organizing and assigning jobs as requests come in. Contact Joel at 772-643-3057 with the type of job you need done, and he will assign the teen best suited to the task!



**Memorial Day Work Weekend**

Copper Basin Bible Camp is gearing up for summer camp! Bring your family up to camp May 28th - 31st (Memorial Weekend) and help get the camp ready for the summer! Food and lodging will be provided--everyone will help with meal prep and clean-up!

**Sympathy**

Our Christian love and sympathy go out to Nydia, Monica and Adelina Ballesteros in the death of their husband and dad, Peter Ballesteros. Please keep the entire family in your prayers as they grieve and wrestle with the shock of this great loss.

**Memorial Services**

There will be a memorial service this coming Saturday, May 15th, at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for **Shirley Keneally, the mother of Michelle Black**. Continue to remember Michelle and her family in your prayers.

There will be a memorial service honoring **Joan Piercy** on Saturday, May 22nd, at 10 a.m. at Mariposa Gardens. Joan was a longtime Mesa member who passed away from non-covid illnesses during the height of the pandemic. The family postponed the memorial service until now.

**MYG UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Spiritual Discipline Evening**--Sunday evening, May 30th--our discipline will be worship! This will be a Stars and Songs event--watch for details coming soon!

**Uplift @ Harding University**--June 18-25--Register at [mesachurch.org/events](http://mesachurch.org/events). Sign up closes on May 16th and \$100 deposit is due. Cost is \$200 per teen plus \$80-\$100 in food expenses for travel. See Joel if you want to participate and need work opportunities to earn some of these funds.

**Praise and Prayers**

**new and critical**

Ed Schroeder..... Back Pain  
 Chris Juhl..... Heart test results  
 Carl Goodman ..... Radiation Treatments begin 5/12  
 Dale & Sandy Barger..... Covid recovery  
 Kenneth O'Bannon ..... Hand injury  
 Virginia Hielen ..... Health  
 Michelle Black..... Blood Pressure

**on-going health problems**

Luana Guthrie, Lynnita Knoch, Kevin Olson, Debbie McMorries (S Young's mom), April Norment (D. DuBoise's mom), Lori Howerton's Parents, Jerra Bonebrake, Gaby Ivy, Lori Howerton, Martha Carroll, Malto O'Gorman, Lois White, Tewana Carter, Lynda Campbell, Wayne Timbush, Evelyn Bonebrake's mom, Cindy Mamoe, Heather Jette, Gloria Hadley, Travis (G'son of Ann Nichols)

**Shepherds**

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

**Ministers**

Pulpit Minister: Terry Singleton  
 Spanish Minister: Edison Quevedo  
 Youth Minister: Joel Soumar

**Attendance & Offering**

Sunday Worship: 329 + online  
 Budget: \$13,323  
 Giving: \$15,758  
 YTD Average: \$12,586

*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.*