

#### **Roots in the Storm**

Japan is known for its beautiful landscapes and lush tropical plants. However, Japan also has harsh winters, with heavy snow and ice. Yet many of the plants, including the bamboo, seem to survive and even flourish. One of the reasons the bamboo survives so well is that its roots grow deep into the volcanic-rich soil. Its deep roots allow it to survive the harsh winter storms.

We, too, will face storms in life, stress at work, relationship challenges, financial insecurities, or a whole host of other issues. But when our life is rooted in Christ and His word, we can survive, like the bamboo during a harsh winter.

Colossians 2:7 encourages us to be rooted and built up in [Christ]. Our faith needs to grow deep into the word of Christ, which will produce faith (Rom. 10:17); faith then gives us the victory to overcome the world (1 Jn. 5:4) and the storms of life.

If you are going through a storm today, where have you placed your roots? What is keeping you stable and alive? Sometimes we need to be reminded to keep our roots in Jesus Christ.

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Mark Your Calendar (see details inside)

#### **Prayer Page**

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Romans 12:12

Sunny Glen Children's Home Truck Route Groceries-12/9 picked up 4 large bins of supplies-THANKS TO ALL!

Arms of Hope Christmas Tree Ornament Project December 14th

Christmas Stocking Project December 16th

Daily BIBLE Reading Schedule

**Birthdays** 

Ladies Pillow Ministry & Devo Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:00

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# "...but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6

#### **Prayer Needs and Requests**

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; God Bless & protect President Trump & God Bless the United States of America; People of Israel & Ukraine; Hill Country Flood Victims; Pray the cease fire holds and Hamas lays down arms; Sympathy to all who lost loved ones the past few weeks: The Family of Edna Earl Goodman, Shannon Burke & Family in the loss of her mother Carolyn Sparks & Debby Mining in the loss of her cousin Carol Springer; Vici (Sonoma O'Bannon friends) lost her battle with cancer; Gene Barton is under observation for two months before deciding next steps - surgery ruled out; Karl Vinson was in ER Monday with intestinal flu; Tina (co-worker of Tammy Imel) fell and is having surgery; Lynda Goucher (Jerry Goucher sister-in-law) Afib issues; Terry Knight has tumor - testing (Dale Guillary friend); Betty O'Bannon good to see her continuing to improve; Dale Guillory testing 11/19 was rescheduled; Eileen Adair PET Scan for December to be scheduled later; Adrian Burke as his job takes him to Israel; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-law) has been diagnosed with sarcoidosis & will continue seeing doctors for plan forward in addition to kidney function problems & is undergoing more tests at the present; Mitch Sparks & Children, Micke Lynn Milton, Mrs Dale Milton (Micke's Mom) & entire Family (all prayer request of Sheri Williams); Stephany Plank-breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer; Tracy-prostrate treatment, Charlott Wagner still needs our prayers (all friends of Dale Guillory); Building Program; Inmates of our Prison Ministry (600 Inmate students); Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God is in Control; A Faithful God Deserves Praise; Are We Faithful to Him?; PUT GOD FIRST!; God Keeps His Promises; Produce Much Fruit; Be Present; Hallelujah! What a Savior!; Ask for Wisdom; Give; Commit; Let Your Light Shine; FEAR GOD! Practice Our Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; We must hear The Word to be saved -DEVOUR THE WORD; Hunger for God's Word & Read It Daily; Listen; Keep Our Eyes on Heaven; Love Our Neighbor; Be rich toward God; Actions Speak Louder; Jesus said, "Do you love me?"; Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most worthy of our praise; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Serve Others

#### **Please Remember These Battling Cancer**

Tammy Adair; Amy Cote (O'Bannon & Burke friend); Gerald Elliott; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Frances (Sonoma O'Bannon friend); Roseann Hudoba; Betty Hunt (Tammy Imel sister-in-law's mother) Nathan Lunday-prostate cancer & Tracy Park (Dale Guillory friends); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law)

#### **Continual Prayers**

Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's husband); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; David & Patsy Camp; Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Dennis & Mary Gray; Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Deavyn Gordon; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Myra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins; Marion Hood (aunt of Shannon Burke); Justin Imel health issues; Summer Imel (Justin & Tammy Imel niece); Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Copper Kimbrough (husband Avery Cable Kimbrough); Ann McKinney (Tammy Imel mother); Betty O'Bannon; Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Jeff Riggs (Kay Riggs son); Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Nancy Barton niece), Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's sister); Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

#### PLEASE GIVE OFFICE UPDATES TO PRAYER LIST



Thank You & God Bless You to everyone that participated in this Christmas Program!! We were able to sent \$900.00 worth Gift Cards to aid with Christmas for the Children of Arms of Hope!





Daily Bible Reading			<u>Daily Bible Reading</u>		
December 21- December 27			December 28 - January 3		
Sun 21	am	Micah 6-7	Sun 28	am	Zechariah 7-9
	pm	Revelation 12		pm	Revelation 19
Mon 22	am	Nahum	Mon 29	am	Zechariah 10-12
	pm	Revelation 13		pm	Revelation 20
Tues 23	am	Habakkuk	Tues 30	am	Zechariah 13-14
	pm	Revelation 14		pm	Revelation 21
Wed 24	am	Zephaniah	<b>Wed 31</b>	am	Malachi
	pm	Revelation 15		pm	Revelation 22
Thur 25	pm	Haggai	Thur 1	pm	Genesis 1-2
	pm	Revelation 16		pm	Matthew 1
Fri 26	am	Zachariah 1-3	Fri 2	am	Genesis 3-5
	pm	Revelation 17		pm	Matthew 2
Sat 27	am	Zechariah 4-6	Sat 3	am	Genesis 6-8
	pm	Revelation 18		pm	Matthew 3

Dec 9th Ladies Bible Class & Pillow Ministry delivered 90 Christmas pillows to 9 Community Institutions





Eliza Whitcomb Dec 1
Mary Miller Dec 6
Gloria O'Bannon Dec 11
Jake Riggs Dec 17
Gene Barton Dec 18
Jeff Riggs Dec 18





**Busy Little Elves** 



Eight Beautiful Stockings full of wonderful goodies!

**A Perfect Standard** 

I have heard that the most perfect yardstick in the world is found in London. It is reported that experts spent ten years of patient work in bringing it to as near perfection as possible. It is made of platinum and iridium, and was designed as the standard yard length to be used by the British government. It is examined every fourteen years, and if it is found to vary as much as a millionth of an inch, then it will be rejected. This is interesting, but stop and think that the standard which God has given us is even more perfect. It never varies in any degree. The standards of men are not so. They are always being revised, changed, and altered. This very fact testifies to their imperfection. The Bible is the perfect standard to guide our lives—religiously and morally. If a man were to abide by its precepts in religion, then he could not be wrong. If he would apply the principles of a good life found in it to his everyday existence, then he would find a better life. The psalmist said, "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul" (Psalm 19:7). We cannot improve upon it. This is because its author is the essence of perfection Himself. In Him is no "variation or shadow of turning" (James 1:17). The nature of God and Christ does not change. The Hebrews writer testifies to this: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." (Hebrews 13:8).



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# Serving this Week

# Church Of Christ Deer Park Invites you to join us in Worship!

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**Texas** 

## **Sunday Morning**

Coffee & Donut Fellowship 9:00am
Bible Class 9:30am

Morning Worship

## Wednesday Evening

Bible Class 6:30pm

Donut Fellowship 9:00am Bible Class 9:30am Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: Dennis Gray

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Mark 15:21-39

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "Did He Not Die?"
Dr. Justin Imel

Closing Payer: Jimmy Burke

Greeter: Tammy Adair
Communion Prep: Patsy Camp
Livestreaming: R.J. Imel

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REMEMBER WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: I am blessed to be with brethren. I am blessed to serve. I am blessed to learn from others. I am blessed to hear the Word of Life. I am blessed to remember what's important. I am blessed to recharge my spirit. I am blessed to correct my life. We look forward to seeing you Wednesday!

10:30am