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TODAY

Join us in Worship thru YouTube.com, search
“Northridge Church of Christ Media,” or
Facebook northridgecofc: 10am Sunday

COMING UP

Mark Your Calendars

June 7-12 - Camp Rock Creek

June 14-20 - SoulQuest

June 28-July 1 - VBS

NEWS

Update on livestreaming

Starting today, because of streaming rules and regulations, we will have our Sunday morning services on YouTube and Facebook up for 1 week. After that we are legally supposed to take down the music. We are working on a way that we can still keep the sermon and Lord's Supper on YouTube indefinitely.

Mothers Day

Give Love to Mom - Make a cell phone video giving love and appreciation to your mother or fond remembrance of your mother. Anyone can do this - adults, teens, kids (dads can help kids, kids help older dads and moms . . . !). We hope to put them all together and show next Sunday morning. There are potentially a lot of you to do this, so . . .

- 1) **You've got UP TO 15 SECONDS** to video. Don't make us leave you on the cutting room floor for going too long!
- 2) Send your video to Kevin Pendergrass at 256-426-9464 (Pendergrass Productions), or to the church office, Marsha or Cliff email, or contact us with questions.
- 3) Have your video turned in by Thursday noon (May 7).

Common Bonds

Wednesday Night Summer Series

Yes, the series is actually scheduled! June will feature speakers from Northridge. If we are still not meeting all or part of that month, we simply skip those meetings. Out-of-town guest speakers are scheduled for July and August with the hope we will be meeting by then. The theme is “Peace of My Mind.” The Peace of the Lord for our lives is something always needed and seems like an extra dose will certainly help this year!

Youth Center

The renovation to the Youth Center is finally nearing completion. You can be a part of helping us reopen this mission to teens by purchasing, donating, or in some way procuring a new or gently used stainless steel refrigerator and/or oven. If you can help in this endeavor, please contact Dana Shelburne, Charlie Dickinson or call Marsha Rowley at the office.

PRAYER NEWS

Polly Killing - Make sure and read the attachment about Polly. She is going to need a lot of help!

Stan Curry had an accident while playing golf last week. Kenstan overturned the golf cart they were in. Kenstan is ok but Stan had to have surgery for a fractured ankle and leg. He will be non-weight bearing for at least 3 weeks. He says he has plenty of help just needs prayers!



Thanks to everyone who helped paint the red and gold rooms.

New May Calendars are attached to the email today

Church Re-Opening?

Elders, deacons, and staff met by video conference on Wed evening, Apr 27.

The "Recover Safely" 3 phase approach issued by the state of Oklahoma serves as our basic guideline. Whether and when to reopen centered on factors such as:

- a) Social distancing - difficult at best, impossible with children, and, honestly, wouldn't happen between a lot of friends! Maximizing social distance is still the guidance.
- b) Nurseries, and in reality, children's classes, are not allowed. Adult classrooms would not allow for proper spacing.
- c) Persons 65 and older, and those with vulnerable situations are still to follow OK "safer-at-home" guidelines. And there are persons who should not come due to family members at home who have compromised health conditions.
- d) Disinfecting frequently used surfaces would be a constant need.

So the consensus is that it is unlikely that we meet in May. We hope and pray for a June startup, but are setting no hard date yet. We will have another meeting Wed, May 13 to see where things stand and review Phase 2 of the OK plan which begins May 15.

Finding Some Normalcy

The other day I talked about my work life during "limited shelter in place." That reflects part of my strategy for dealing with all of this craziness: find ways to create normalcy.

I have found times when I found myself stressed without really knowing why. That made me realize how disorienting a loss of routine is.

So I'm trying to maintain a normal routine. I get up early and do my usual morning routine. I shower, shave and dress as if I were going to my office. I try to keep normal office hours, working during that time.

But what if you can't? I can work from home pretty well, but not everyone can. I still say you need "work hours," where you are doing something productive. It may be cleaning and organizing your home. It may be working on that home improvement project you've been putting off.

Or maybe your "work" will involve education. Learn something. There are free online courses. There are apps available to help you learn the rudiments of a foreign language. There are online videos to teach you how to play an instrument, how to bake a cake, how to build a birdhouse... so many different things. Or maybe you want to educate yourself more on world politics, global economics, or things of the sort. Now's a good time.

This is a great time for writing letters. Making phone calls to encourage people. Spending more time in prayer.

Many of you have children at home. Maybe your "work" is to help them find some normalcy.

I'm convinced that you need to be able to say, "I accomplished this." More than leveling up in Fortnite or rewatching all the episodes of "This is Us." You'll feel better if you make something, help someone, or educate yourself.

Timothy Archer
Abilene, TX

Last day of April.

Thank You Father for delivering my family and I through April without COVID. I pray Father for those that did get sick or lost a loved one. Comfort them and give them healing and peace. As we go into May, I pray that You continue to place Your guardian angels around my family and keep us healthy. I ask that May is filled with answers to my prayers and an end to COVID and it's hold on us.

Gods411

Foreign Missions

Coordinator - Larry Stillwell

Ecuador

Quito (Ecuador) International

School of Biblical Studies

Hugo Sandoval, Cayambe, Ecuador

World Bibles - Paul Lofton

Treasurer - Randy Waters

Church Office Manager - Marsha Rowley

SUN: Worship Assembly	10:00-11:05AM
Bible Studies for All Ages	11:15-12:00PM
SHARE Groups	Afternoon
WED: Bible Classes	7:00 PM
THURS: Bible Study	6:30 AM

One Week Ago

Contribution: \$4805.00

Average Contribution: \$6305.87