

POWER OF GOD

MATTHEW 13:31-46 ³¹ He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches." ³³ He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough." ³⁴ Jesus spoke all these things to the crowd in parables; he did not say anything to them without using a parable. ³⁵ So was fulfilled what was spoken through the prophet:

"I will open my mouth in parables,

I will utter things hidden since the creation of the world."

³⁶ Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." ³⁷ He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man." ³⁸ The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. ⁴⁰ "As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴² They will throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear. ⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. ⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

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HOW DOES ONE BECOME A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH?

One does not "join" the church. **The Lord adds** to the church those who are being saved (Acts 2:47). To be saved, one must do the will of God (Matt. 7:21-23). The will of God as expressed by the New Testament, for the sinner outside the body of Christ must:

HEAR THE GOSPEL
Romans 10:17

BELIEVE IN CHRIST
John 8:24 Hebrews 11:6

REPENT OF THEIR SINS
Acts 17:30 & 26:20

CONFESS FAITH IN CHRIST
Matt. 10:32 Rom. 10:10

**BE BAPTIZED FOR THE
REMISSION OF SINS**
Mark 16:16 Acts 2:38 Acts 22:16

BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH
Rev. 2:10

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday
11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

BIBLE STUDY

Sunday 10:00 A.M.
Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

SPANISH SERVICES

Sunday Worship 2:00 P.M.
Spanish Bible Study
Sunday 1:00 P.M.
Thursday 7:00 P.M.

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

You are our honored guests. We hope your visit with us today will be rewarding and spiritually uplifting. In order that we may serve you better, please fill out a yellow visitor's card located on the back of each pew and drop in the collection plate.

NEWS and PRAYER REQUESTS

LOUISE, Tommy Thompson's sister, had a stroke a few weeks ago. Her health has declined and she is in ICU. Please keep her in prayer.

ADA GAGEN, 3 years old, received the results from a biopsy to test for cancer and they came back clean! PTL. She has been battling to overcome the myriad of health issues she's enduring, *including dialysis everyday*. Please pray for her to have good health in her childhood.

DUANE & LENA TOLBERTSON need our constant prayers. They both have their own set of health issues. Lena and Kathy are challenged with Duane daily, both mentally and physically. Please continue to keep them in prayer.

KATHY SMITH retained a doctor, who is trying to get a special pain patch for her type pain. She will be having major surgery soon to have a steel rod placed in her back plus repair issues with her upper and lower back. Her recovery will be at least 4 months. She can't set up an appt. for the surgery until help taking care of Duane can be arranged as Lena can't take care of him alone. . Kathy needs the prayers of our congregation.

PRAY FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED IN CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

ESTHER MARTINEZ to have pain subside & have a full recovery on her Esophagus

KEN & RUTH ALTOM to have improved health. Give them a call: 760-420-6279

JOHN SULLIVAN to have better health on a daily basis.

MARILYN BURR to continue having wholeness and well-being.

BECKY GORMANY to bounce back from a nasty fall she had a few weeks ago.

BONNIE & TERRY NEWMAN to both overcome their long lasting health issues.

SELENA, Mariela's granddaughter, to have her seizures kept to a minimum.

ARIANA CAMPOS to regain strength as she moves on from scary bout with cancer

KATHY, Jan T. daughter, to have a speedy recovery from a broken arm.

Family of **BERT BALDAUF** to have comfort & peace of mind after his passing.

****Send prayer requests, news & updates to: melcobulletin@yahoo.com**

You can also text or call Fred S. 760-855-8880

COMING EVENTS

JOE GORMANY will deliver the morning sermon: "*Power of God*"

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: Be back tonight @ 6:00 pm as **JOE GORMANY** will bring us an enlightening message.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: This week's study: 2 Chronicles 25:25-28, page 723 in The One Year Chronological Bible. The Wednesday Night Class members would like to encourage all of our Brothers & Sisters to come & be a part of the class.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 * BILINGUAL WORSHIP & POTLUCK

We will celebrate the end of the year with a combined morning service, followed by a potluck & fellowship.

GOSPEL SEMINAR * WED DEC 12-SUNDAY, DEC 16 * RAVEN STREET CoC

Theme: *Victory in Christ Jesus*. *Mike Mazzalongo* of the Choctaw CoC in Oklahoma City will be the speaker. For more info, see flyer in foyer. The church is located at 748 Raven St., San Diego.

24th ANNUAL MEN'S DAY @ CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST in Oceanside

The event will be on **SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2019 * 7:30 am to 1:00 pm.**

PARADISE FIRE VICTIMS assistance donations can be sent to:

Chico Church of Christ
995 E. Lassen Ave.
Chico, CA 95973

Melrose CoC Elders & Deacons unanimously approved a donation of \$500. Any individuals who want to make private contributions can send gift to address above.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS MISSION WORK 2018 Their Christmas party on Saturday was a lot of good fun, food & fellowship. The party was also utilized to collect \$105 to help the victims of the Paradise fire. They also gathered canned goods for donation to Brother Beno's Shelter. Our ladies have been very involved in mission work all year, giving back to our community. Their efforts are certainly to be commended!

ANNUAL CONGREGATION/ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING at 10:00 am on SATURDAY, JANUARY 5 in Fellowship Hall. This meeting is required by State of California. A quorum of our members must be present, so please set aside a couple of hours and make plans to attend. It's just once a year!

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

16	Kenneth & Ruth Altom	22	Leroy & Ann Smith
19	Frederick & Gloria Schultz		

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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