SUPERLATIVE LOVE

Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. ⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, 9 he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, ¹⁰ to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. ¹¹ In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, 12 in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. 13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

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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

LENA TOLBERTSON had Right Hip Joint surgery Monday, March 16th and was able to go home Tuesday afternoon the 17th. The surgery went very well. She was able to get out of bed and do the required physical therapy to go <u>home</u>. She has a 24/7 Caregiver plus family with her. They have plenty of food, medicine and supplies while sheltering in place. Lena thanks you all for your prayers and concerns. Please keep her in prayer for a full recovery.

MICHAEL MORENO is recovering well. Many appointments ahead, but he remains in good spirits. Please continue to keep Michael in your daily prayers.

DAVID TOLBERTSON is having severe hip joint problems. Please pray he will get healing rest during this lockdown and will not need surgery to repair it.

DEE STARR had a spot on her leg, Carcinoma, that was successfully removed last week. She is still a bit sore from the procedure. Please remember Dee in prayer.

CECELIA LEMUS, friend of TeriLyn Garcia, will be having Chemo Shots on March 16th, 23rd & 30th. Please pray these shots work and rid her of all cancer.

Please pray for the people who have lost loved ones to the COVID-19 (CoronaVirus). Don't forget to pray for your friends, loved ones, Church family and for our Nation to recover quickly from the Coronavirus Pandemic.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

ANN SMITH to have her eye problems resolved.

KEN & RUTH ALTOM to have a level of comfort and improved health

JOHN SULLIVAN to continue increasing his strength and stamina.

BONNIE & TERRY NEWMAN to have better health.

ALEJANDRA, Mariela's sister, who is going through chemotherapy treatments.

GENESIS & SELENA, Mariella's granddaughters, to find answers for their seizures.

MARILYN BURR to keep on having wholeness and well-being.

ADA GAGEN (4 years old) as she continues going thru a multitude of health issues.

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

COMING EVENTS

All activities and events at the church building have been postponed until further notice, due to the COVID-19 (CoronaVirus) & CA Governor Shelter in Place Order.

In place of hearing a message in person, you can tune in to:

IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY with PHIL SANDERS will be shown on KFMB @ 7:00 am on Sunday mornings. This program is a wealth of info, resources and the preaching of Christ & you are encouraged to see for yourself.

Later in the morning you can watch Joe's Special Broadcast of:

JOE GORMANY "Superlative Love". Ephesians 1:3-14

Joe will record his message and it will be available for viewing on the church Facebook page & Website.

<u>COMMUNION Suggestion</u>: When you shop, get fruit of the vine and unleavened bread so you can take communion at home if you wish.

OFFERING Suggestion: as an alternative way to participate in the church offering while sheltering in place is to mail donation checks to:

Fred Schultz 3290 Calle Osuna Oceanside, CA 92056

The contributions will be deposited in the bank at the end of the week.

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

21 Bradley & Joyce Rhodes

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

8 Gloria Schultz

23 Conall O'Berry