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# CHRIST PRESS



## Newsletter

Christ Presbyterian Church  
Flower Mound, Texas

## MAY 2017

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# Announcements

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### **MEN'S GRILL NIGHT**

*Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m.* Bring your own meat, beverages, lawn chairs, and cigar (if desired). It's a great time of fellowship and encouragement for men as husbands, fathers and disciples of Christ.

### **LADIES' MONTHLY BREAKFAST**

*Saturday, May 27 at 9:30* at the home of Mary Jo Canales for a time of breakfast, fellowship and prayer. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Jo Canales.

### **FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

*Wednesday, May 24 at 5:30 p.m.* All families are invited to come to an evening of fun and fellowship at Zone Action Park (1951 N Summit Ave, Lewisville, TX 75077). Enjoy Go Kart Tracks, 18-Hole Miniature Golf Courses, Station Baseball and Softball Batting Cages along with Bounce Houses. Pizza and drinks are included. Please contact Adam Grimes to R.S.V.P.

## EMAIL LIST

If you want to receive bulletins, prayer requests, and other updates, send a request to [officemanager@christpresbyterian.org](mailto:officemanager@christpresbyterian.org) to be placed on the church email list.

## FELLOWSHIP DINNER

*Sunday, May 7* is our quarterly fellowship dinner immediately following morning worship. Everyone is invited! This is a great time to invite friends to church. Contact the church office (972-355-5892) for more information.

Please bring **both** of the following:

1. A main dish
2. A side dish or dessert  
N–Z Salad or Side Dish  
A–M Dessert



The Iglesia Gracia Small Group  
will oversee set-up and clean-up, and provide bread and ice.

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# VBS 2017 at CPC

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## Genesis 1 Space Probe

June 12-16



# Iglesia Gracia

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## **Domingo ~ Sunday**

Escuela dominical ~ Sunday school

CPC 9:30 a.m.

Servicio ~ Service

CPC 10:30 a.m – 12:00 p.m.

*Evangelio de Lucas ~ Gospel of Luke*

## **Martes ~ Tuesday**

Discipulado ~ Discipleship

Mama's Daughters' Diner, Lewisville 6:00 – 7:30 a.m.

## **Martes ~ Tuesday (every other week)**

Ministerio de guitarra ~ Guitar ministry

Northwood Mobile Home Park, Lewisville 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

*Evangelio de Juan ~ Gospel of John*

## **Miércoles ~ Wednesday**

Clases de Inglés ~ ESL

CPC 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

*Carta a los Colosenses ~ Book of Colossians*

## **Viernes ~ Friday (every other week; 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

Estudio de la Biblia ~ Home Fellowship Group

Cantu's House 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

*Regresando a lo Basico ~ Back to Basics*

# Missions

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## Our Missionaries

**Krista White** CPC/Missionary to professional sports players  
krista.lyn.white@gmail.com  
*Checks payable to CPC for Sports Outreach*

**Dr Anees Zaka** MNA/ Muslim Outreach  
Church without Walls and  
Biblical Institute for Islamic Studies  
*Checks payable to CPC for Church Without Walls*

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*For MTW missionaries, make checks payable to  
MTW PO Box 116284 Atlanta, GA 30368-6284*

# May Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 6:30 Family Night	4	5	6
7 Life Change Offering Fellowship Dinner	8	9 6:30 Men's Grill Night	10 6:30 Family Night	11	12	13
14	15	16 8:00 Diaconate	17 6:30 Family Night	18 7:00 Session	19	20
21	22	23	24 5:30 Family Fun Evening	25	26	27 9:30 Ladies Breakfast
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# May Nursery Schedule

7	Amanda Rooney, Rhea Abuhl
14	Arlys Wydner, Greyson Ea
21	Ann Cantu, Emilie Miller
28	Amanda Grimes, Nelly Naff



## Happy Birthday

Leng Ea (2)  
Lucia Abuhl (16)  
Carolyn Stafford (17)

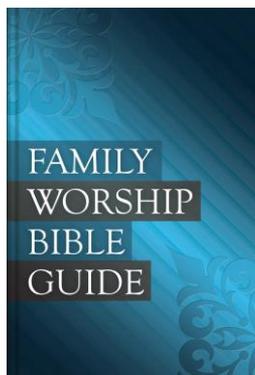
Marla O'Hara (21)

## Happy Anniversary *Blessings*

Chris & Rachel Oglesby (4)  
Rod & Sharon Miller (18)  
David & Sarah Abuhl (19)

# Book Recommendations

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Family Worship Bible Guide  
by Reformation Heritage Books

This Book is Comprised of Family Worship Thoughts Extracted From the Reformation Heritage Study Bible.

Leading and nurturing your family as you seek to glorify God and encourage spiritual growth in your home is both God's command and your privilege. One of the best and most effective ways to do this is through intentional, worshipful, daily family devotions where the truths of God's life-changing Word are openly discussed chapter by chapter. Hand in hand with your Bible, this Family Worship Bible Guide presents rich devotional thoughts on all 1,189 chapters in the Bible, including searching questions to promote conversation, to help you with this responsibility. Use this resource every day alongside Scripture to read each chapter's major takeaways aloud and then discuss them with your family. With the Holy Spirit's blessing, this book will transform you and your family!

Editors

The four editors of this book serve the Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, Michigan: Dr. Joel R. Beeke as president and professor of systematic theology and homiletics; Dr. Michael Barrett as academic dean and Old Testament professor; Dr. Jerry Bilkes as Old Testament and New Testament professor; and Rev. Paul Smalley as faculty teaching assistant.

## Endorsement

The power of God's Word is seen most clearly as that Word is understood and applied to the lives of God's people. In the Family Worship Bible Guide, we have a unique resource that offers to bring that dynamic power of the Word into our personal and family worship. For each chapter of Scripture, seasoned pastors and teachers offer brief, pointed comments that simultaneously explain the biblical text and apply it to readers' lives and experiences. With the Spirit's blessing, the Family Worship Bible Guide promises to be used to infuse biblical life, warmth, discussion, and power into personal and family worship. It certainly has in our family!

— Dr. Stephen Myers  
Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary

# Article

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## *The Uniqueness of Christian Service*

### **Christian service is unique for three reasons**

Written by David Wells | Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Serving is not, of course, uniquely Christian. Indeed, the language of service has popped up everywhere in our society. To access the Internet, for example, we must have a network service provider. In business, there is a service sector. We get bills for professional services rendered. In our stores, there is customer service. When the gas gets low in our cars, we head for a service station. In our nation, we have the armed services. Wealthy households pay for domestic service. The rest of us wonder if we can afford lawn service.

So, does any of this help us to understand Christian service? The short answer is “no.”

Christian service is unique for three reasons. First, it is unique in its source. That source is our redemption in Christ. Second, it is unique in its objective, which is to model, as far as is possible, Christ’s kind of servanthood. Third, it is unique in its character, for it is motivated by God’s holy-love. Although these are each important, it is on the third that I must focus here.

First, then, I need to explain what I have in mind by the term holy-love. Second, I will explore its connection to our service.

### **God’s Holy-love**

Light breaks down into its rainbow colors when it passes through a prism. In a similar way, God’s love and His holiness are also broken out into different aspects in Scripture. Within His love, for example, we can distinguish mercy, forbearance, kindness, and compassion. And within His holiness, we can see righteousness, faithfulness, justice, judgment, and wrath. God’s holy-love is shorthand for His entire character.

What this hyphenated language does is remind us that God’s character is whole. The God who “is love” (1 John 4:8) is always, everywhere, and at the same time, the God who is a “consuming fire” (Heb. 12:29) and the One who is “light” (1 John 1:5). When we meet God, we meet Him in the wholeness of His character. His judgment, for example, is always preceded by His patience. It is always shadowed by His mercy. His love, in its bond with what is true and right, always accompanies, is always a part of, His holiness.

We are tempted to want one side of His character without the other. We want His love without His wrath, His compassion without His judgment, His mercy without His righteousness. Indeed, the liberalism that has now brought down the mainline denominations did this. It insisted that Christ's death was only about God's love and never about His wrath. That meant that Christ's death was only an example and never an atonement. The reality, of course, was entirely different. God's love provided in Christ's death what God's holiness required. Thus, Christ's love took Him to the place where He stood in our place of judgment. His death was an atonement, not just an example. We never know God's love except in its union with His holiness.

### **How This Works Out**

Christian service is about how our redemption in Christ comes into flower in this world. It is what puts hands and feet and lips to God's holy-love. Once we had as our life's goal only ourselves. Our self-interest defined our worldview. Now this has changed. Now we are living a new kind of existence (2 Cor. 5:17). It is not one that is self-focused but one that is God-centered, not one that is self-pleasing but one that is open to others. And it is God's holy-love that motivates this new direction even as it is Christ's death that makes it possible.

We take the gospel to others because, Paul says, "the love of Christ controls us" (2 Cor. 5:14). But that is not our sole motivation. A little earlier he had said, "knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others" (2 Cor. 5:11). In other words, it is God's holy-love that motivates us. It is love that feels the painful breakdown in life that sin has brought. It is holiness that understands how wrong this is. It is love that draws us to the side of another. It is holiness that yearns for the day when the world will be cleansed of all that is dark. And the gospel connects with both of these things. It is a message about deliverance from God's coming judgment, and it is a message about His redemptive love in human life now. This love touches our sin as grace. Love and holiness thus walk hand-in-hand.

There are a thousand ways in which we can serve Christ. Some serve in places of high visibility and others in places of obscurity. It matters not. What matters is that in our service to Christ, another world is seen to be breaking into our everyday life. From this other world come shafts of light, of love in its union with what is holy, love as an expression of what is holy. In this sense, everyone who belongs to Christ is an outpost of eternity in this world. God calls His people so to live, so to serve, that they are themselves the evidence that the age to come is already dawning. That evidence is the presence of holy-love.

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# Deacon's Corner

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## **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

A new shed will be built on Friday and Saturday, May 19–20. If you can help, please see one of the deacons.

## **NEXT DIACONATE MEETING**

Tuesday, May 16 at 8:00 p.m.

## **LIFE CHANGE OFFERING**

This is a monthly opportunity for our children to save their money and give an offering to other children in need. This offering benefits ONEchild, Mission to the World's Ministry to Street Children. (See more information at [mtw.org/onechild](http://mtw.org/onechild))

<b>CPC</b>	
Total Giving	\$ 41,581
Total Expenses	\$ 61,278
Difference	\$ -19,697
Cash On Hand	\$701,087

<b>IGLESIA GRACIA</b>	
Total Giving	\$ 26,843
Total Expenses	\$ 22,063
Difference	\$ 4,780
Cash On Hand	\$ 44,220

# Shepherding Groups

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# Training and Education

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

**Toddlers** Amanda Grimes  
Room 103

**Preschool** Amanda Grimes  
Room 103

**First Grade** Amanda Grimes  
Room 103

**Second–Fourth Grades** Laurie Boswell  
Room 205

**Fifth–Seventh Grades** Ronda Sands, Sharon Miller  
301 Annex

**Eighth Grade** David Abuhl, Rachel Oglesby  
304 Annex

**High School** David Abuhl, Rachel Oglesby  
304 Annex

**Adults** John Canales  
Sanctuary

**Adults in Spanish** Jahaziél Cantú  
Annex

## **Adult Sunday School: Prayer Time.**

**Newcomers Class:** An overview of our church's history, distinctives and vision. Learn about opportunities to serve and find a small group that really connects you with other members at CPC. While these sessions are a prerequisite to membership, they are open to anyone who wants to explore CPC before deciding if it is the church for them.

Taught by the pastor and elders twice a year in February and September, the class meets on two consecutive Sunday afternoons. Lunch is provided, and nursery care is available, if requested. Call the church office to reserve a place and nursery care, if necessary.

**Men's Bible Study:** Tuesday mornings at Mama's Daughter's Diner in Lewisville at Old Orchard and 1171 (Main St.). Study starts at 7:00 AM and Breakfast at 6:00 AM. We are studying "What Jesus demands from the world" by John Piper, PDF copy available free on line. Come join us! Ray White 817-307-1304

**Spanish Bible Study:** Every other Friday at 7:00 p.m., this study is for the growth and discipling of new believers. Childcare for nursery and pre-school ages is provided.

**English as a Second Language (ESL):** Taught by trained volunteers, this outreach ministry offers free English classes to immigrants and other non-native speakers. For more information, contact Ray White at raymondwhite1945@gmail.com or 817-491-2271.

# Ministry Contact List

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<b>Worship and Arts</b>	Christopher Oglesby	770-312-1100
Music Ensembles	Christopher Oglesby	770-312-1100
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<b>Training and Education</b>	Daniel Beal (RE)	940-241-1448
Sunday School Coordinator	Laurie Boswell	940-484-2601
Nursery	Sarah Abuhl	803-439-6446
New Members Class	John Canales (TE)	972-724-2621
Men's Bible Study	Ray White (RE)	817-307-1304
Women's Bible Study		
Youth		
<b>Church Life</b>		
Coordinator	Adam Grimes	214-226-1251
Visitor follow-up	John Canales (TE)	972-724-2621
Fellowship Dinner	Church Office	972-355-5892
Silver Sheep	Olivia White	817-491-2271
<b>Prayer Chain</b>	Yvonne Bridgeman	832-922-1831
<b>Missions</b>	Ray White (RE)	817-307-1304
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ESL	Ronda Sands	972-492-3107
Vacation Bible School	Jahaziél Cantú (TE)	214-243-9321
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Finances Rod Miller (DM) 214-802-9731  
Facilities All Deacons  
Grounds  
Decorating

**Diaconal Aides** Adam Grimes 214-226-1251  
David Abuhl 972-322-4286

**Session** Stated Clerk, Daniel Beal (RE) 940-241-1448

*RE = Ruling Elder      TE = Teaching Elder      DM = Diaconal Minister*

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