



The shepherds desire to be supportive and accessible to you! We encourage you to speak to any one of us, or write a note about your concerns, or things we might help with.

# Lakeview Church of Christ

June 16, 2024



## How Deep the Father's Love

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup> And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup> "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have

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### LIFE GROUP MEETINGS:

Jim Karkosky or Rex Farnsworth  
Gary Calkins or Ray West  
Darrell Davis or Don Mellor  
Phil Leupold  
Ray Glasman or C Baidoo-Essien  
Rich Ewing or Wendell Tillman  
Kenny Coleman or Matt King  
Don Russell or Keith Purser

contact a host/facilitator for meeting time

### MEETING AT:

1709 112th Street S. \* Tacoma, WA  
Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 A.M.  
Sunday Worship Assembly: 10:00 A.M.  
( & live stream on You Tube)  
Wednesday Bible Class: - 7:00 P.M.  
Wednesday Bible Class on ZOOM - 7:00 P.M.

AIM - Adventures In Missions  
Delano Bay Christian Camp  
Mountain States Children's Home  
Jos, Nigeria—Tom Ekpote  
Paris Mission - Roland Mohsen



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### OUR SHEPHERDS:

Kenny Coleman Darrell Davis  
Jim Karkosky  
Phil Leupold Ray West

Preaching Minister: Brent McFarland

Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy! - Psalm 55:1

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Prayer for the family of David Bryan, at the death of his grandmother.
- Please continue to remember the families of Doug Leander and Rhonda Carter.

And all who are on our list with continued health concerns:

*Joe & Ruth Behrent, Bob Bruns, Errin Calkins, Karen Clevestine, Ralph & Connie Coleman, Debbie Cornwall, Linda Ewing, Cheri Grice, Bob & Lily Hanson, Joan Haughawout, Sharon Henton, Marilyn Likens, Mike & Terry Martin, David Newman, Brett Nowlin, Thomas Pruett Carol Robison, Sunday Sawyer, Doug Smith, Cheryl Tillman, Jack & Jane Voyles, Ken & Ida Wilson, Ray West*



A memorial for Rhonda Carter will be held at the Lakeview building on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 PM.



If you can help by providing cookies for the memorial on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, please talk to Nan Karkosky.

## Food Pantry -

As always, we want to acknowledge that this outreach can't happen without your support. We appreciate all that you do! Some current needs are: crackers, top ramen, cereal, and all flavors of muffin mixes.

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sinned against heaven and before you. <sup>19</sup>I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.” <sup>20</sup>And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup>And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ <sup>22</sup>But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup>And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup>For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup>“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup>And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup>And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ <sup>28</sup>But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup>but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup>But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ <sup>31</sup>And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup>It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

**Luke 15:11-32**

Happy  
Father's  
Day!

## LAKEVIEW CALENDAR:

- ASL Class - Mondays and Thursdays, 7:00 PM
- Ladies' Thursday Bible Class - 10:00 AM
- Ladies' Prayer Group - 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 10:00 AM
- Learn to Speak Spanish - Saturdays, 10:00 AM
- Spanish Language Outreach - 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 6:00 PM
- August 3 - Annual Church Family Picnic Saturday
- August 30-31 - Trey & Lea's Stronger Marriage Workshop

## LAKEVIEW TEEN CALENDAR:

**August 9-11** - Teen Retreat  
at Lewis & Clark State Park

## AREA WIDE EVENTS:

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Singing** - June 30 at 5:00 PM,  
Puyallup is hosting.

## Delano Camp Sessions:

STS - June 30-July 5  
1st-3rd Grade Session - July 7-10  
YTS - July 21-25

For more information and to register:

<https://www.delanobay.org/camps>

## Faithbuilders - July 11-13

Modern Day Christianity:

*Unchanging Truth in an Ever-Changing World*  
Classes, Keynotes, Singing, VBS for ages 2-12, and a class for teens!

Register at <https://www.faithbuildersnw.com>

## JOS, NIGERIA - REPORT FOR MAY, 2024

Greetings to you all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ. We return all things and praise to God Almighty, who has seen us through the month of May, into the month of June, 2024. We are almost done with half of the year. I know economic situation is bad across the globe, but that of Nigeria calls for real concern. Economically, families are starving, not having access to just a meal a day. We continue to thank God for how far He has brought us. The rain that started well is not continuing in the Northern Nigeria. Many crops planted are now withering off. We still appreciate God because whatever He does, cannot be corrected. In some states in the Country, they only have rain for three months in a year, yet God is still providing for them. God is amazing when we look at his providence and love. The month of May was a busy one for us, especially as the School of Biblical studies rounded up its session. We ended the session and proceeded for campaign evangelism, Gospel lectureship, and graduation of 2024 class. We thank God because he guided and protected us through all of these activities. On behalf of my family, I use this opportunity to appreciate you all for your prayers and sacrificial contributions towards the African Mission. May God Almighty reward you abundantly in his special ways.

From the School of Biblical Studies, we had the graduation of the 2024 class, where 30 men and women (altogether) were sent out to the field. We praise God because he provided the needed protection, for the whole session. We had a hitch free session. Despite the economic challenges, our students were able to finish the semester.

Campaign Evangelism - As part of yearly school activities, each year at the end of final exams, we embark on campaign for Christ in different locations that applied for our teams of evangelists. We work with such congregations knocking doors, studying the Bible with people. Below is a team of our students, getting ready to board a van to Gombe State.



A team of campaigners from SBS: This year, we went to 4 different places in 3 states (Gombe, Kogi, and Benue). There was additional team that remained in Jos to carry out intensive door knocking. The village we went to work in Benue this time is a virgin land. There was no congregation there before we went. To the glory of God, a new congregation is set up there. Preachers from nearby villages agreed to nurture the congregation. Within the one week exercise, we were working day and night as opportunities present themselves. We conducted 997 studies with 4,389 prospects. We conducted open-air preaching, showed movie of Jesus ministry in some of the places, taught Bible studies to the brethren. To the praise of God, 17 souls in all were added to the body of Christ. Please, join in prayers for God to protect these young ones for His use.

Our annual gospel lectureship for this year was a huge success. We had Christians come all over Nigeria and beyond. We had 2 preachers from Niger Republic and 1 from Chad attend the program. We had Randy Baker and Adam Cox from Alabama, attend the program also. We thank God because despite the hike in fuel price during that time, Christians defy the odds and made their way to Jos. We appreciate God also for the journey mercies for each of them that came and had since returned to their families.

The young congregation that started last year in Rayfield, Jos, is growing. We appreciate God providing us with a land. We started putting up a temporal structure for worship. I am glad to mention that we are now roofing the place. Though it is so open, yet, once we fix the floor, we will move in for worship to the glory of God. Where we are meeting now is hazardous, especially to children. We will also be able to hold our children classes alongside the adult class.

It is a remarkable progress, we give thanks to God for his graciousness. The congregation at Mazah road, lost one of her old members. We thank God because even when it was difficult for her to walk, she still came for worship. She was an encouragement to every one of us. Out of her devotion, 3 of her children remain in the church till today.

As God has brought into this month, we pray that His grace be sufficient unto us all in every where, so that we live to glorify Him in every of our decisions and action. I wish you all a wonderful summer season.

Grace and Peace,  
Tom Udo Tom Ekpot (Jr)

Contact Ryan Hill for June scheduling conflicts

**JUNE 9, 2024**

Attendance: 216

Contribution: \$6,928

**June 16**  
Communion Don Mellor  
Reading Miguel Colon  
Closing Prayer Kevin Brazile

**June 23**  
Jaydon Goracke  
Kurt Turner  
Chet Hunter

**June 30**  
Dan Fitzsimmons  
Jeff Bynum  
David Brazile

Announcements: Jonathan Mohr

Tray Passing in June: Bob Riley, Jose Garcia, David Newman, Stephen Hill, Eric Roley, Leon Likens, Keith Purser, Loren Bevington





August 30-31, 2024

**TREY & LEA'S**  
**Stronger Marriage Workshop**

Friday, August 30: 6:30-9:00 PM

Saturday, August 31: 8:30 AM -Noon

lunch break, and meet again 1:30-4:00 PM

Sunday, September 1, Trey will deliver a message  
during our 10:00 AM service

What this seminar is not:

1. It is not only for those that need counseling.
2. It is not only for those who have been married a short time.
3. It is not only for those who are on the verge of divorce.

It is for ANY COUPLE! We all need to work on our relationship with our spouse no matter our age, financial status, etc.

These workshops are very un intimidating. You won't ever find that you're called on to talk, put in a small group, or have attention drawn to you in any way. You will learn practical and simple ways to improve your marriage, shared in a fun and fast-paced atmosphere.

Childcare will be provided

**TreyAndLea.com**

Lakeview Church of Christ is hosting this free workshop. Please invite your family and friends!

We're located at 1709 112th St. S., Tacoma, WA 98444

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