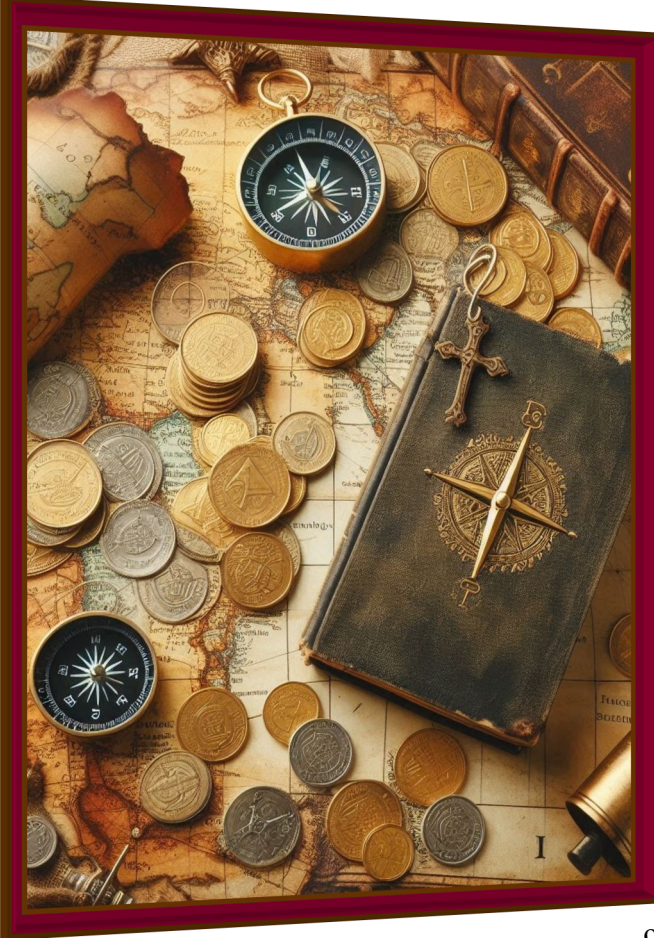


July 28, 2024

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

Treasure Hunting



¹⁹“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, ²³but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! ²⁴“No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. ²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little

faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. ³⁴“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.” Matthew 6:19-34

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 Ekpot
 Paris Mission - Roland Mohsen*



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 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

- Bob Hanson has been bleeding internally and doctors don't know why. He will undergo a series of tests on August 7th and 12th.
- Eric Roley's brother, Chris, was in a motorcycle accident on Thursday and underwent surgery for a lacerated kidney and 2 broken bones
- Jimmy Threadgill has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. It was discovered early; he will have an appointment Oct 1 with a doctor who specializes in complicated surgeries.
- Josh Fitzsimmons has dengue fever, prayer for quick and full recovery.
- For Charles Tyson, that he will do well in physical therapy, that he might be able to overcome the challenges he faces. And, prayer for Betsy as she supports and encourages him.

Please pray for my family and I as we leave tomorrow (7/22) and head out for Texas. Please also pray for me in my studies and as I embark on a new chapter of my life.

Madeline Baidoo-Essien

And those with continued health concerns:

Joe & Ruth Behrent, Bob Bruns, Errin Calkins, Ralph & Connie Coleman, Debbie Cornwall, Linda Ewing, Cheri Grice, Bob & Lily Hanson, Joan Haughawout, Sharon Henton, Phil Leupold, 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

LAKEVIEW TEEN CALENDAR:

- August 3** - After the BBQ, No Screen Game Night!
- August 9-11** - Teen Retreat, Lewis & Clark State Park
- August 21** - Camp Fire Devo & Dinner
- September 14** - Devo
- September 15** - Welcome Lunch / Planning Session

Men's Service Calendar:

Contact Chet Hunter for August scheduling conflicts

	July 28	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25
Communion	Keith Purser	Dick Towell	Don Mellor	Dan Fitzsimmons	Phil Leupold
Reading	Silas Schadegg	Chet Hunter	Brian Turner	Ron Hollister	Wayne McNeely
Closing Prayer	Wendell Tillman	Kevin English	Eric Roley	Jack Voyles	Leon Likens

July Announcements: David Cornwall

Tray Passers: Cruz Lujan Jr., Kevin Brazile, Ron Hollister, James Hainaut, Mark Saggus, Troy Taylor, Rich Ewing, Matthew King

JULY 21, 2024

Attendance: 191

Contribution: \$5,860



Rejoice with us! Please welcome three new Christians;

On Saturday, July 20, Andrew Pierce and Max Pierce were baptized.

Bodie Cotts, son of Nathan & Sherri, was baptized recently at a church camp.

Remember to encourage and keep all of our new brethren in prayer as they embark on this journey.



Our Annual Church Family Picnic is on Saturday!

Spend the afternoon with us on August 3, anytime between 12:00-6:00 PM. There will be plenty of food, no matter when you arrive! We'll be at 14229 Spanaway Loop Rd S, Tacoma, 98444.

LAKEVIEW CALENDAR:

- ≈ ASL Class - Mondays and Thursdays, 7:00 PM
- ≈ Ladies' Thursday Bible Class - 10:00 AM
- ≈ Ladies' Prayer Group - 2nd Saturday, 10:00 AM
- ≈ Learn to Speak Spanish - Saturdays, 10:00 AM
- ≈ Spanish Language Outreach - 4th Saturday, 6:00 PM

AREA WIDE EVENTS:

We invite all areawide churches of Christ to join us at **Southside Church of Christ** on July 28th from 3:30PM -5:00PM as we host the next summer evening fellowship. We hope that you'll join us! Visit our church website <https://www.scocseattle.org/> under events and spread the word to your family, friends, and members. We look forward to seeing you then.

VBS with Puyallup August 5-7, 6-8 pm
Register at Allaboardvbs.weebly.com.

Olympia Church of Christ has reserved Delano Bay Christian Camp for a family camp, August 16-18. And, they are inviting members of the area congregation to join them! If you are interested in participating, please contact the Olympia office at olycofchrist@olycofc.com or call their office at, 360.357.8304.

August Announcements: Miguel Colon

Tray Passing: Jonathan Mohr, Logan Pierce, Don Langeliers, Ryan Gallagr, Jimmie Brewer. Loren Bevinton, David Cornwall, Kenny Coleman

MISSION REPORT

July 6, 2024 REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2023

Dear beloved in Christ Jesus,

I greet you all in the precious name of our only Savior, Jesus Christ. We appreciate God for seeing us through the month of June, into the month of July. We see the grace of God daily in our lives, and can testify to his goodness. Living in Nigeria helps me to really see the grace of God daily in human life. This is a country that inflation is unprecedented and insecurity is a normal thing. Yet in all of these, we still sleep and wake up, we still eat food and have shelter over our heads. Brethren, God is faithful.

We are in the middle of the rainy season, and we are having daily down pour, such that in some places, they are having flood. Some weeks back, we were complaining of no rainfall. We were concerned about the crops in the farm. God is faithful in keeping his promises. He know our needs. He promised to feed us, and he is doing that. It is only our faithlessness that cause us to complain. May God help us in our faithlessness in this month of July to learn to trust him even when there is no physical evidence to put our conviction in him.

I have been bringing updates of the congregation in Rayfield that started in April 2023. This congregation has been growing both physically and in faith. We started worship in a rented property that was not conducive for worship because of the activities of drug addicts, who always came by to drink alcohol and abuse substance in the next shop to our meeting place. We started evangelizing them, it did not work, because they are always under the influence of alcohol. We were afraid that the young people among us would be influenced. In this place, there was not rest room. So it was always difficult when people wanted to visit restroom during worship services. Moreso, there was no space for our children class. Sandra had to arrange classes for children 30 minutes earlier before our Sunday Bible class. The children were not having enough time for their class each time they met. We prayed to God, and we got a land space to buy. But there was no money. Brethren, God provided the fund for us to buy the space. We started building a temporary place of worship. Last two weeks, we started meeting there in the new building. We now have space for children class, adult class, and a restroom for convenience. We appreciate everyone of you for sacrificially supporting us. We have work to do in evangelizing the area, because the young people in the community are given to drug addiction. We believe God brought us to this area to save souls.

We had our fellowship lunch in the building, where children presented their memory verses. We want to indoctrinate these children in the word of God, so that when they grow, they will not depart from God. Sandra has committed herself to teaching these children. We will continue to work to improve the people and the place. One day, we will have a better place of worship where wind and rain will not bother us. God is adding to the number of the church. Within the month, God added two souls to the church. As our culture in the congregation is that, each time a person is baptized, the congregation gives him/her a Bible to guide him/her in life journey. We present these two young men with Bibles as we prayed with them.

Some people in the neighborhood came to worship with us as well. We use that opportunity to establish contact with them. One thing I realize here is the fact that, a city congregation can remain small for a long time because many people who are baptized do relocate to their villages or to other cities. Since the start of this congregation, many people have been baptized into Christ, and more than half of the number have relocated to other places. It gives us joy when such people relocate and they continue in faith, and the Gospel continues to spread.

Last month, we took time to learn more about the inspiration of the Bible. It is necessary that Christian have confidence in the authority of the Bible, so that they will value the promises and commands in the Bible. Some people have taught all kind useless idea about the Bible. We are taking time to indoctrinate members, especially the young people among us, the value of the Bible. While we do not condemn the electronic copies of the Bible, we encourage people to open their hard copy of the Bible when we are in Bible study, so that they get used to the books of the Bible.

The Mazah Road Congregation, located on a hill is growing well. Numerically, they are doing fine, and they are able on their own to make their meeting place conducive for worship. In faith they are improving as well. But on a sad note, a woman I led to Christ over 25 years ago passed on, and I was also asked to conduct the funeral service. That was not coincidental, the family decided that I should conduct the funeral service since I was the one who baptized her. The woman even in her poor health, was still struggling to climb the hill to worship with the church. She died at the age of 83. The good news is that three of her children are also members of the church.

The life on earth is a short one, one day, we too will have to bid others on earth bye. It is an urgent call that we live for Christ each day of our life. Permit me to use this opportunity to appreciate each and everyone of you for your prayers and making sacrifice to support us. Your sacrifice of love will never go unrewarded. On behalf of myself and my wife, we say thank you so much. May God bless you all, while we continue to labor in his kingdom. Have a fruitful month of July, 2024.

Grace and Peace, Tom Ekpot (Jr).

TREY & LEA'S

Stronger Marriage Workshop

August 30-31, 2024

Friday, August 30: 6:30-9:00 PM
Saturday, August 31: 8:30 AM -Noon
lunch break
1:30-4:00 PM



*Invite your family
and friends!*

**Childcare will be available on a limited basis.
Register early to ensure a space if you need it!**



2024 AUGUST

Accept my freewill offering of praise, O Lord,
and teach me your rules. Psalm 119:108

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>“Whether we are reading the Bible for the first time or standing in a field in Israel next to a historian and an archaeologist and a scholar, the Bible meets us where we are. That is what truth does.” -unknown</p>				1 Mike Martin	2 Jackie Jackson	3 Saylor Schmitz 11 Dave & Sandy Newman
Deuteronomy 1-3	Deut 4-9	Deut 10-14	Deut 15-20	Deut 21-25	Deut 26-34	Joshua 1-2
4	5 David & Shelley Jellison	6 Kevin & Brittany Brazile	7	8	9 Christopher & Amy Baidoo-Essien Dave & Debbie Cornwall	10 Peggy Jobe Don Mellor
Josh 3-7	Josh 8-13	Josh 14-19	Josh 20-24	Judges 1-6	Jdg 7-11	Jdg 12-17
11	12 Lori Pierce Dave & Joyce Brazile Chet & Kathy Hunter	13 Don & Susan Mellor	14	15 Sarah Hancock Trevor Jellison 16	16 Madelynn Turner 7 Duane & Sharon Henton	17 Jessica Myers 7 Russell & Julia Myers
Jdg 18-21	Ruth 1-4	1 Samuel 1-6	1Sa 7-10	1Sa 11-16	1Sa 17-21	1Sa 22-26
18 Tony & Jennifer Tittsworth	19	20 Devorah Fitzsimmons Elizabeth Karikari Phil Leupold Sky Lujan 15 Jack Voyles	21	22 Marilyn Pyke	23 Machelle Turner	24
1Sa 27-31	2Sa 1-5	2Sa 6-10	2 Sa 11-15	2Sa 16-20	2Sa 21-24	1Ki 1-5
25	26 Linda Ewing	27 Scott & Rhonda Shields	28 Lydia Fitzsimmons	29	30 Dan & Betty Fitzsimmons	31 Eric & Valerie Roley
1Ki 6-11	1Ki 12-16	1Ki 17-22	2Ki 1-5	2Ki 6-11	2Ki 12-17	2Ki 18-25