

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

February 23, 2025

¹⁰ Then the disciples came and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" ¹¹ And he answered them, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. ¹² For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ¹³ This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. ¹⁴ Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says:

"You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive."
¹⁵ For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed,
lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears
and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

¹⁶ But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. ¹⁷ For truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.

Matthew 13:10-17

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MEETING AT:

1709 112th Street S. * Tacoma, WA Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 А.М. Sunday Worship Assembly: 10:00 А.М. (& live stream on You Tube) Wednesday Bible Class: - 7:00 Р.М. Wednesday Bible Class on zooм - 7:00 Р.М.

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

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

On March 16th 2025 - LTC Support Sunday



Leadership Training for Christ (LTC) was designed to challenge students (3rd - 12th grade), helping them gain skills and knowledge to serve GoD's kingdom for the rest of their lives.

The 2025 theme is *Come to the* Table with a focus on Luke 13:29. We have 26 youth participating and on March 16, there will be a special contribution taken to help get everyone to Richland, WA for the annual convention, which takes place in April.

Thank you for supporting this ministry.



Food Pantry - 21 families came to the food and clothing bank last Monday. Your donations do make a difference.

LAKEVIEW CALENDAR

- > CANCER SUPPORT GROUP, 2ND MONDAY @ 6:00 PM
- > MARTIAL ARTS, MONDAY & THURSDAY @ 5:30 PM
- ▷ LADIES' THURSDAY BIBLE CLASS @ 10:00 AM
- > MEN'S GROUP, THURSDAYS @ 7:00 PM, ROOM 2
- > Young Adults Saturdays @ 5:30 pm, room 2
- ► LADIES' PRAYER GROUP 2ND SATURDAY @ 10:00 AM

TEEN CALENDAR

>Weekly Devo / Get Together, Fridays @ 6:30 РМ

Delano Bay Christian Camp

Spring Retreat: May 2nd-4th

Theme: *Who Do You Say that I Am?* Director: Thomas Morse The Delano website will soon have registration

information. There is no cost to campers, but remember to bring clothes for the workday activities.

Spring Work Party: May 3rd This work party is for all ages. More information coming soon.



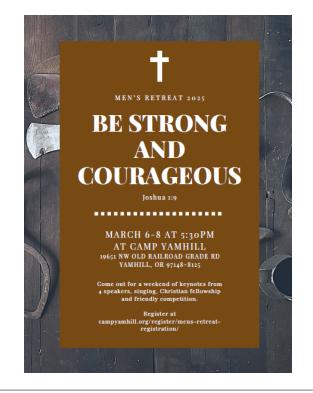
Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Don Langeliers has been transitioned from a cast to a boot on his foot. While he still needs to be very careful not to overexert, it does allow him some movement.
- Susan Mellor fell last Sunday evening, fortunately nothing broken, just very sore.
- Prayer for the Hanson family, at the passing of our sister Laurice Hanson.

Please remember those with continued concerns:

Bob Bruns, Debbie Cornwall, Linda Ewing, Bob & Lily Hanson, Joan Haughawout, Mary Healy, Duane Henton, Sharon Henton, Marilyn Likens, Mike & Terry Martin, Dennis Mellor, David Newman, Brett Nowlin, Thomas Pruett, Carol Robison, Sunday Sawyer, Doug Smith, Cheryl Tillman, Jack Voyles, Jane Voyles, Ida Wilson, Ray West



Men's Service Calendar - March coordinator is Matthew King FEBRUARY 23 MARCH 2 MARCH 9

Communion Christopher B Reading Matthew King Closing Prayer Don Russell

FEBRUARY 23MARCH 2Christopher Baidoo-EssienLeonard OtteMatthew KingBrian TurnerDon RussellEsko Cate

MARCH 9 Kenny Coleman Matthew King Leon Likens

MARCH 16 Don Mellor Kevin Brazile Eric Roley

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MARCH 30 Keith Purser Tristan Pierce Loren Bevington

Trays: Esko Cate, Chet Hunter, Stephen Hill, Ian Hunter, Troy Taylor, Jeff Bynum, Jose Garcia, Bode Cotts -Announcements: David Cornwall March Trays: Ron Hollister, Tony Tittsworth, Christopher Baidoo, Bob Riley, Dave Brazile, Kurt Turner, Joseph Potter, Kaden Mayo Announcements: James Hainaut

MISSION REPORT

January 2025 Tom Ekpot Jr., Jos, Nigeria

Dear Beloved brethren,

I greet you all in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We give praise to God for His loving Kindness towards us, in that His love is poured out for us to be saved. The month of January was a fast one. We pray that the same grace God gave to us through January be extended to us in this month of February. I know that the month of January might have been rough to some of us, but in all, God's plan towards us is always to give us expected end. And it is obvious that each life experience we have constitutes a course of study in our lives. We must determine that each experience will continue to shape us for God's use. In Jos, we are in the 4th month of dry season. We only expect rainfall in April. While the southern Nigeria has started experiencing rainfall, the northern Nigeria is still in a prolonged season of no rainfall. In every case, we praise God for his faithfulness.

At the School of Biblical Studies, most of our students have returned to classes from their Christmas holiday, except few who have various challenges and will not be back this semester. This semester will be a busy one for us. We have our annual evangelism outreach in May, the annual lectureship, and the graduation exercise all in May. Before these activities, we have other evangelism campaign outings in March in Gombe State, a state in the North East of the Country. We know and trust God to guide us through these programs. In view of this faith in God's mercy, we covert for your prayers, that we will be able to reach many people with the Gospel this time; that we will meet with people who are willing to be saved. I know the heart of man is hardened by the deceitfulness of sin, but the Gospel can penetrate any heart that wants to be saved.

At Foron Mission congregation, we have decided that we will start our building project this year. For years now the small congregation has been meeting in a rented property. We thank God for his grace, because we have not been disturbed in that place. But we know one day the family who owns the property will want to use their building. It is for this reason that we think it is wise not to wait for eviction notice before we start a small structure for our meeting place. The congregation is growing in faith and love. We remain grateful to God for how far the congregation has come looking back at the different violent attacks they have experienced from the hand of the Islamic militants. Seeing them growing to this level makes me very happy. The coming back of two of the men who abandoned their faith to fight the Muslim militants is a victory for Jesus. The congregation at New Foron has also gotten a

preacher. I will be helping them take care of the preacher just like the Foron Mission congregation. Left for them alone, they cannot support a preacher because of their peculiar challenges. Join us in prayer for the stability of these congregations.

The New congregation at Gura Topp Rayfield, is an evangelistic one. Just as the congregation at Mazah Road. This congregation makes weekend door knocking, a major program. We have series of studies ongoing with many prospects. We are planning this year to host some evangelists who will join efforts with us for 8 days in May, doing intensive door to door evangelism. It is not in our power to convert, but we have the duty of telling people about Jesus and his plan of salvation. That, we must do, while it is still day.

We have line up of activities in this congregation this year. We are planning to have our annual children seminar and the maiden edition of sisters' seminar. We appreciate you all for your constant prayers for us and financial support you provide us. My wife and I are so grateful. We pray God to continue to bless you all in His special way.

Grace and Peace, Tom Ekpot (Jr).

FaithBuilders

1 John 3:1 is the key verse this year as we talk about *A Family Focused on GoD* July 10-12, 2025, come and see!

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 1 John 3:1 ESV



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2	3 Anjie Dunn	4	5 Leann Glasman Leon LIkens	6 Bob & Julia Bruns	7 Debbie Cornwall Rachel Likens	8
9 Grant Myers 18 Ann Riley	10	11	12 Brenna Schadegg	13 Kathy Hunter Jane Voyles	14	15 Ida Wilson
16 Cindy Coleman Karen Leupold Joe Martin	17	18	19 Amy Baidoo Ron Hollister Tom Riggs Bob & Lily Hanson	20 Conner Glasman Ian Hunter	21 Adrian Farkov Sean Jellison	22
23	24 Cheryl Tillman	25	26	27	28	29 Marc Farnsworth
30 31 I perceived that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it. God has done it, so that people fear before him. ~Ecclesiastes 3:19						2025 March
	4 □ Numbers 34-33 5 □ Deut. 1-3 6 □ Deut. 4-6 7 □ Deut. 7-9 8 □ Deut. 10-12	9 □ Deut. 13-15 10 □ Deut. 16-18 11 □ Deut. 19-21 12 □ Deut. 22-24 13 □ Deut. 25-27		18 □ Joshua 7-9 19 □ Joshua 10-12 20 □ Joshua 13-15 21 □ Joshua 16-18 22 □ Joshua 19-21		27 □ Judges 10-12 28 □ Judges 13-15 29 □ Judges 16-17 30 □ Judges 19-21 31 □ Ruth 1-4