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FAMILY NEWS - JUNE 21, 2026

BIBLE STUDY: SUNDAY 9:00 AM; WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM; **WORSHIP**: SUNDAY - 10:00 AM & 11:15 AM
Ladies Class - Tuesday 10:00 AM
www.mountaingrovechurchofchrist.com and www.MGChristianRadio.com

WELCOME! If you are a visitor YOU are our honored guest!

GODLY FATHERS

One of life's greatest blessings and challenges for a man is fatherhood. This relationship involves the greatest joys and demands the best one has to give and often will include many sorrows. A godly father loves his wife and is loyal to his marital vows (Ephesians 5:25). He desires the best for his children. A father is industrious. He labors to provide for his family and the needs of others who lack the material things of life (1 Timothy 5:8; Ephesians 4:28).

The greatest contribution a father can make to his family is leadership in spiritual matters. In every age, the head of the family has been required of God to provide the proper direction regarding religious training. Modern fathers are most likely to leave this responsibility to the wife and mother. However, Paul exhorted, "And you fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but nurture them in the chastening and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). It is a tremendous requirement to make sure one's children are taught of God, but the rewards are everlasting. A Christian father may not be able to give very much materially to his children, but the legacy of having a father who loved his family and the Lord surpasses everything else. The greatest inheritance a Christian father can leave is one that is rich in faith in God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We should never underestimate the love that a father possesses in his heart for his children. His emotions may not be as noticeable as the mother's emotions; yet, the feelings are just as deep. Most fathers would give their lives on behalf of their families. Their hearts are filled with deep gratitude when they witness their children succeeding in life. The Christian father rejoices greatly when his children obey the Gospel of Jesus Christ. My father will be remembered for being a fine Christian gentleman. In addition, the legacy of having a good name has meant more to me than all the riches of this world. It was the wise man of old who wrote, "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, Loving favor rather than silver and gold" (Proverbs 22:1) and "A good name is better than precious ointment…" (Ecclesiastes 7:1).

Godly fathers are rare in this modern society. However, we should always be thankful for the ones who are. Truly, you are blessed indeed if you have or had a Christian father who placed Christ first in his life. His influence in your life and even in the lives of his grandchildren will be felt for many years to come. Say, have you hugged your father recently?

~Raymond Elliott, https://www.gospelgazette.com/gazette/2010/jun/page11.html

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

ANNOUNCEMENTS - **Brent LeBaron**
SCRIPTURE READER -**Jace Howard**
PREACHER - **Keith Cozort**

PRAYER LEADERS:
SUNDAY - 9:00 A.M. - **Kevin Cozort**
10:00 A.M. - **Richard Sciba**
Terry LeBaron
11:15 A.M. - **Phil Driskill**
Jeremiah Hicks

WEDNESDAY - **Brent LeBaron**
Wyatt Hicks

SONG LEADERS:
SUNDAY - 10:00 A.M. **- David Grow**
11:15 A.M. - **Matt Lawrence**
WEDNESDAY - **Logan Howard**

SERVING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:
PRESIDE - **Phil Driskill**
ASSIST - **Jeremiah Hicks**
ASSIST - **Brian Sherrell**
ASSIST - **Logan Howard**

USHERS:
SUNDAY AM1 - **Ronnie Deaton**
SUNDAY AM2 - **Richard Sciba**
WEDNESDAY - **Phil Driskill**

TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED:
SUNDAY - **Richard Sciba -** 926-6416
WEDNESDAY -**Terry LeBaron -** 259-3261

BLESSED TO SERVE:
COMMUNION PREP -**Sue Murphy**
FLOWERS - **Barb Reed**

EVANGELISM PREP: June 21st
GREETERS - **Wyatt/Addison Hicks**
PEW GREETERS - **Richard/Ruby Sciba**
Phil/Donna Driskill
VISITOR BAGS - **Logan Howard**

EVANGELISM PREP: June 28TH
GREETERS - **Wyatt/Addison Hicks**
PEW GREETERS - **Brent/Jessica LeBaron**
Phil/Donna Driskill
VISITOR BAGS - **Kimmy Hicks**

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION
WEEK OF - June 14th
SUNDAY CLASS - 51
AM1 - 59
AM2 - 47
WEDNESDAY - 28
CONTRIBUTION - $3392.00

MILITARY SERVICE -
Derek Davis family

Pray for our evangelistic efforts!

GOD'S PLAN: HEAR - Rom. 10:17; **BELIEVE** - John 8:24; **REPENT** - Acts 17:30; **CONFESS** - Rom. 10:9-10; **BE IMMERSED** - Acts 2:38; **REMAIN FAITH even in death** - Rev. 2:10.

Worship Leaders, please use the microphone so all can worship with you! Please silence all electronics. Children, please walk!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

*June 21st - Youth speaking, Men's meeting at 1:00
*June 21st - Bridal shower for Kimmy at 12:30 in the Annex
*July 1st - Second Bible Bowl
*July 5th - Potluck, Youth Class

THANK-YOU to all who worked diligently yesterday outside on the property line and inside on the new ladies room addition: Richard, Terry, Matt, Jacob, Danny, Kevin, John, David, Brent, Owen & Phil. It is a blessing to have so many "handy" men.

TEACHERS NEEDED for next quarter: Early Elementary class for Sunday and Wednesday

PANTRY ITEMS: Instant Rice, instant potatoes. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS
Ann Lake
Matt Lawrence - Heart Echo Monday
Ruby Sciba
Jerry and Sharon Endicott - (Ruby's family)
Carolyn Turner - still in therapy
Doug Turner (Ann's nephew)
Shirley Hart - (Ann Newton's sister - needs surgery)
Steve Peterson
Darrell Cooper (Sue's brother) liver cancer
Joe Wheat - (Deloris's husband) cancer
Roy Boykin - (Tucker's friend) cancer
Wes Roberts - (Susan Taylor) cancer
Jayne Kane - (Terry's sister), Joe Wyrick - (Linda's family)
Larry Hicks - (Jeremiah's dad)
Phyllis Coffman
William & Lavonne Wood - (Jodee's family) + Carla Elkhorn & girls
Deborah's children and grandchildren, Carol Cook - her sister-in-law
Wayne Crosby
Betty Lane
churches in Jamaica (hurricane) and Ukraine (war)

On-going health issues:
Tinzie Mackey, Lois Schmollinger, Bonnie Wolfe, Ann Newton, Dorthy Robertson, Sheila Deaton, Buddy & Annette McCarty, Dwain & Sue Murphy, Effie Hicks.

WORKS WE ARE PRIVILEGED TO SUPPORT
On-line Academy of Biblical Studies (OABS); Bible Institute of Missouri (BIM); Global School of Biblical Studies; Shaddy Chapel church of Christ; Brent Green; Coby Hicks; Jesse Howard; David Bass (Instructor at the Jamaica School of Preaching).