

### At My Old Church...

#### Elders

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One of the TV shows from my childhood I remember most fondly is “The Magic School Bus.” In each episode, science teacher Ms. Frizzle would lead her 4<sup>th</sup> grade students on a field trip to some fantastical setting like outer space or the human digestive system. One character, a transfer student named Phoebe, had this signature phrase she spoke every episode: “At my old school \_\_\_\_\_.” Contrasting the normalcy of her old school with the absurdity of Ms. Frizzle’s field trips, Phoebe would make remarks like, “At my old school, things are kind of quiet. And people don’t shrink or anything. And busses don’t turn into things.” Through the entire series, Phoebe would never completely adjust to her new school.

In Romans 16:1-2, we meet a different transfer named Phoebe. This Christian woman from the church at Cenchreae wasn’t changing schools, but rather she was embarking on a long trip across sea and land to deliver Paul’s letter to the church in Rome.

As he concluded this letter, Paul wrote, “(1) I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church at Cenchreae, (2) that you may welcome her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints, and help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well.” Romans 16:1-2 (ESV)

Paul urged the Romans to welcome and help Phoebe. Why? Because she was a sister in Christ and a servant of the church! Though she

was coming from a faraway congregation, the spiritual bond she shared with the brothers and sisters at her old church was the same bond she shared with the Christians at her new church. The Romans and the Cenchraeans were separated by 750 miles, but as Phoebe would join the congregation in Rome for a time, she would find people just like her. Though Phoebe was a Christian from another region, the Romans were members of the same church she was.

You and I are separated from these Christians by two millennia. If Phoebe was transported to our congregation in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, would she find people just like her? Some today contend that Phoebe was a “deaconess” (female deacon) based on the Greek word translated as “servant,” *diakonos*. We know from 1 Timothy 3:8-13 that such an interpretation is implausible. Phoebe may not have held an authoritative office in the church, but her impact in the church undoubtedly resonates through today! Because she delivered Paul’s letter to the Romans, you and I are blessed to study these most profound New Testament writings. Because of her servanthood, she has been memorialized in these two verses and stands as a shining example to Christians across time. Though Phoebe was a Christian from another time, we are members of the same church she was. May Godly servants like Phoebe be found in the ordinary sisters (and brothers) among us!

Caleb Boggs

# In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Pam Babb, Carol Bessman, Fred and Carolyn Bukowich, Joyce Clarkson, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Eli Dodson, Jaren Dodson, Joe and Teresa Freund, Wilma Hill, Justin Houston, Nadine Keith, Larry McMahan, Cheryl Neilans, Lyn Pendergraft, Dale Privett, Heather Reiboldt, Edith Toney, Miles Wolgamott.

- Edith Toney needs our prayers as she undergoes chemo treatments.
- Karen Honeycutt will have knee replacement surgery next Monday.

**Congratulations** to Vera Cornell on the birth of a great - great granddaughter, Brynlee Grace Stuart. Steve is the proud greatgrandfather.

**Carlos Zavala**, a gospel preacher whom we have supported for a long time in the town of Jutiapa in Honduras, passed away early Tuesday.



every **ONE** counts!

**Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. This week we helped a family where the father was having some difficulty drawing his workman's comp. If you know someone who needs help, please contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

Visit our Facebook page, website or YouTube channel to see or hear our **services** when you can't be with us in person.

The **Summer Youth Series** is tonight at the Flints'. Boys bring chips and drinks and girls bring desserts. Please bring a lawn chair! Next week, it will be at the Reiboldts'.



## This Sunday's Sermons:

- AM: *A Good Conscience*  
(Danny Boggs)
- PM: *A Prayer of Daniel*  
(Kaden King)

**Vera Cornell** is in need of someone one day a week to help her with some housework. If you could do this, please call her.

Ladies, if you were at the Ladies Seminar in March, you were able to hear Debbie Dupuy speak about the "**Shepherd's Daughter**". Her book on this topic will be available later this month. If you would like to order a copy, please see Karen Honeycutt or Coralee by Sunday. Because we are preordering as a group, the price will be about \$12.

The elders would like to have your recommendations for men you believe are qualified and would make good **deacons**. There are forms on the welcome desk. Please fill them out, sign them, and give them to an elder by July 26. If you are not able to attend services at this time, you may contact an elder or send your recommendations to the church addressed to the elders.

Just a reminder that we will continue with the same plan for **services** through the month of July. The elders suggest that we continue to keep a social distance. They encourage people to stay home if you are sick and listen online. Feel free to wear a face mask if you wish. There will also be a song after the closing prayer at each service to allow those who do not want to mingle an opportunity to leave before everyone is dismissed.

A baby gift table for **Baby Boy Marks** is in the foyer. The parents are Chandler and Chelsey Marks. You can find their registry at <https://www.babylist.com/Marks-babyboy>. Lou Ann Cook is the great-grandmother.

You can show support for our local **law enforcement officers**. Select two or three names from the bulletin board. Check the names you select. Write them a card or a note. Sign them but do not seal them. Leave them in the box in the office by July 26. This is a good opportunity to boost morale and show appreciation for those who serve us so well.

We have purchased some of the new study Bibles by Apologetics Press called **Defending the Faith**. If you would like to buy a copy, they are \$40.00. See Coralee.

The annual **Green Valley Bible Camp** golf tournament fundraiser will be August 8. Visit the camp Facebook page or [www.flagstone.church/gvbcgolf](http://www.flagstone.church/gvbcgolf) for more information.



*Dear Church Family,  
Thank you for the book and for those who helped with my quilt. I would also like to thank all of my Bible teachers and for all who have influenced me.*

*Sincerely,  
Sam Collinsworth*

### PRAYER LEADERS

#### Sunday, July 19

- AM Opening: Carl Thomlinson
- Communion Prayers: Jason Giebler
- AM Closing: Todd Tyler
- PM Opening: Aaron Wilson
- PM Closing: Pete Babb

#### Wednesday, July 22

- Opening: Alec Fehring  
Closing: Rick Hyder

### RECORDS

	7-12-20	7-14-19
Bible Study	127	125
AM Worship	180	169
PM Worship	117	105
Wednesday	121	120
Contribution	\$8,379.32	\$6,912.63
Budget	\$7,864.15	\$7,717.37