

## Up a Tree & Under a Tree

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“Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.” (Luke 19:5)

These words were earth shaking to the pint-sized publican. Though they had never met before, Jesus miraculously knew Zacchaeus by name. Deity was demonstrated. Zacchaeus climbed up a sycamore-fig tree to catch a glimpse of a celebrity, but he saw God instead.

Jesus knew Zacchaeus. Not only did he know Zacchaeus’s name, but Jesus also knew his needs. Maligned by his fellow man, Zacchaeus starved for love, and Jesus met his need.

Interestingly, this isn’t the only story that features a fig tree and the miraculous insight of the Christ. Recall the account of Philip and Nathanael’s call in John 1. When Philip exclaimed, “We have found him of whom the prophets wrote,” (v45) Nathanael needed proof.

*[47] Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!” [48] Nathanael said to him, “How do you*

*know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.”*

John 1:47–48

Jesus knew Nathanael. Not only did he know Nathanael was a man of integrity, but he also knew Nathanael hungered for the Truth. Jesus met his need, and Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the son of God! You are the King of Israel!” (v49)

The miraculous insight of Christ affirmed his identity of the Messiah. It also reminds you and me of Christ’s intimate knowledge of us. Jesus knows you by name; he sees your heart; and only he can fill your needs.

Christ knows us, and those who know him know perfect love and truth. May we share the urge of Zacchaeus and Nathanael to see Christ, and may we share the mind of Paul as he wrote, “Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.” (Philippians 3:8)

*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 a knee replacement on July 20.

 **Every "One" Counts:** When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. 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.

**Back to the Basics**, a new Wednesday night Bible class will resume meeting this Wednesday in the fellowship room. We want to encourage all new Christians to be a part of this class as well as anyone who would like a refresher course.

The next **Summer Youth Series** will be next Tuesday, July 14 at the Flints'. Boys bring chips and drinks and girls bring desserts.

Remember our teens who are at **Summer Youth Retreat** this week. They will return on Wednesday.

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.

 **This Sunday's Sermons:**

AM: *Deacons Set to Serve*  
(1 Tim. 3:8-13, Danny Boggs)

PM: *The Good Addiction*  
(1 Cor. 16:15-18, Danny Boggs)



Thank you to all who helped with **Vacation Bible Night**. We had several visitors. The children were able to actively participate. The skits and commercials were a lot of fun. The teens and their leaders did a great job of making these. (You can see them on the website through YouTube.) The singing was joyful and we learned a new Zacchaeus song. What a great night!

Last chance for a **free VBN shirt**. Pick it up in the foyer Wednesday night.

The elders met last week and decided to continue with the same plan for **services** through the month of July. They did suggest that we continue to keep a social distance and respect those who do not want handshakes. 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 will be in the foyer on Sunday. 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.

*Dear Hillcrest Church Family,*  
*Thank you to everyone who did a little something to help my brother Eldon Morgan transition into his new home. Moving is always a chore, but downsizing to a new lifestyle can also be overwhelming. I live in Texas and was not able to be there to lend a hand or moral support along the way, but hear that there were so many of you who did just that, and for that I am very appreciative. Eldon is blessed to have church family that cares for one another the way that you do.*

*Phyllis Wolfenberger*

*To My Hillcrest Family,*  
*I want to thank everyone who remembered me through my 6 months recovery. It was a really hard time! Thanks for your prayers, phone calls and all the cards that are all over my den. Thanks to the quilting ladies for the big bag of goodies. Thanks to all the elders who really stayed on their job making sure I was being taken care of. Thanks so much! In Christian Love,*  
*Miles Wolgamott*

*Hillcrest: Thank you for the "Defending the Faith Study Bible" with all your signatures. I appreciate all the encouragement through the years and everything the Hillcrest family has done for me.*

*Kaed Thomas*

## PRAYER LEADERS

### Sunday, July 12

- AM Opening: Bill Reiboldt
- Communion Prayers: Pat Andrews
- AM Closing: Karson Thomas
- PM Opening: Peter Wald
- PM Closing: Bob Murray

### Wednesday, July 15

- Opening: Sam Collinsworth
- Closing: Hunter Bennett

## RECORDS

	7-5-20	7-7-19
Bible Study	111	137
AM Worship	169	181
PM Worship	95	109
Wednesday	153	142
Contribution	\$12,955.82	\$9,467.06
Budget	\$7,864.15	\$7,717.37