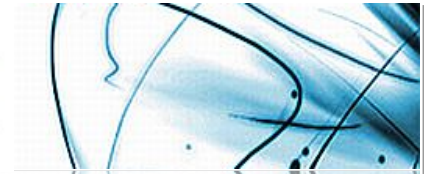




North Garland CHURCH OF CHRIST



We strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Today's Events

- Youth/Parent meeting after worship in the youth room.

Upcoming Events

- May 30**-Office Closed for Memorial Day
- June 1** - No Wednesday Meal - VBS
- June 1-3**-VBS, 6-8
- June 4**-VBS, 10-12
- June 4-11**-High School Mission Trip
- June 8**-Wednesday Meal- Mexican Casserole, Salad, Chips & Salsa, Cake
- June 13-17**-Middle School Service Week
- June 15**-Wednesday Meal
- June 22**-Wednesday Meal
- June 29**-Wednesday Meal

Vacation Bible School

Pre-K through 5th grade children are invited to Cave Quest VBS: Following Jesus, the Light of the World! We're excited for everyone to join us June 1st-3rd from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and June 4th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. We also need lots of volunteers to help make our VBS a success. Please stop by the table in the lobby for more information, to register and to sign up to help!

Women Of Faith Conference

If you are interested in attending Women of Faith this year, please sign up on the welcome center or let Kelli Moore know. The event is in Dallas this year September 30 and October 1. Kelli needs to know how many this week.

Order of Worship

Song Leader	Robb Mills
#42.....	How Majestic
#103.....	He Has Made Me Glad
Welcome	Adam Smith
Scripture	John 1:1-14
Opening Prayer	Adam Smith
#155	Highest Place
#180.....	Jesus is Lord
#383	Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross
Communion Talk	Butch McComas
Butch McComas	Curtis Diel
Bill Spencer	Jared Spencer
#608	He Gave Me a Song
.....	Dismiss to Children's Church
#615.....	He Keeps Me Singing
#679	Tis so Sweet to Trust in Jesus
Sermon	Erik Granberg
#674	I Have Decided to Follow Jesus
Welcome/Announcements	Gordon Jantz
Shepherd's Prayer	Brent Dittmeyer
Nursery	Reeta Williams, Carrie Mills
Lock Up	Bill Oldham, Gary Rork

Life Group Questions

Scripture: Gospel of John; Matthew 16:15

Thought: During a discussion with his disciples, Jesus asked them, "But what about you? Who do you say I am?" (Matthew 16:15, NIV). The answer to this important question is related to a critical area of theology known as Christology. As its name indicates, Christology is about the study of Christ - His nature, his purpose, and more. In John we have looked at the person of Jesus, seeking to know him more.

1. Who do you say Jesus is?
2. What difference does it make in the world in how you answer this question?
3. What change do you need to make in your life based on how you answer this question?



Prayer List

Cherul Rork's family-She passed away this past Tuesday. There will be a visitation Wednesday, June 1, from 5-7 at Henniger~Hinson Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Thursday, June 2, at 2:00 at the church.

DeLauna Jobe-recovering from neck surgery.

Patrece Allen -Wendell passed away recently.

Those going to the Philippines June 6th-17th

Record for 05-22-16

Morning Worship.....198
Bible Class.....116
Life Groups.....100
Contributions.....\$5,668.00
Budget.....\$7,211.52
2016 YTD Cont...\$146,274.65
2016 YTD Budg..\$151,441.92

Birthdays

June:

2nd...Clay Calfee

3rd....Mandy Coker

4th....Amy Parker

Paper & Plastic Sacks

The pantry is in need of paper and plastic sacks. If you have some you don't need, please bring to the church and put in the kitchen.

Garriott Rd. VBS

Garriott Road Church of Christ Vacation Bible School is June 5th-9th. Supper is provided each evening, 5:45-6:10 pm. VBS classes available for Ages 4 years - Completed 6th grade, 6:15-8:30 pm

Thank You

- Thank you to all the blood donors for donating. We greatly appreciate everyone. Mayson Pettus & Trenn Watson were the winners of the gift cards.
- Thank you to everyone for the wonderful baby shower. We were overwhelmed with all of our gifts. We love you all. Love, Adam, Rachel, Hannah Clare, Zoe & Baby Finley Smith

A New Beginning

Sometimes some of us are caught in a circumstance where everything seems to be dark and we feel lost going in circles, and you don't seem to see the stars nor the beacon of light from the harbor.

A few years ago, I was visiting the church we planted on the island of Masbate. They invited me to speak on their "year end fellowship", it was Sunday December 30th, a day before New Year's Eve. After church, I wanted to go home and spend New Year's with Becky and the kids. I found out no ship is leaving for Cebu, all the crew are off New Year's Eve. So I went to the alternate port hoping to catch another boat. After two hours of a rough ride on an old bus, I was disappointed big time, the trip was cancelled because the ships' crew took off early to prepare for New Years. How could I cross the dark blue sea to be with my family? As I looked around I noticed there are about a dozen people in the same predicament I am.

So I started talking to them and proposing that we hire a "pump boat." They all agreed and the old fisherman who owned the boat would take us across a 5 hour boat ride. I figured after talking to him, that he had crossed that ocean hundreds of times and never been lost even once. He didn't have instruments, maps or a compass. He completely relied on his instinct and experience and he always relies on those beacon of lights on the other side of the channel at the port of Cebu. He always carries several containers filled with gas. When we were halfway to Cebu Island, the fog got heavier and so thick that you couldn't see any beacon of lights at all. We were just going in circles for at least 3 hours and the boat man just kept refilling the tank and we were still going in circles. We ran out of gas and just drifted on a dark and lonely sea. With faith and determination I told everyone we were going to be okay, don't lose hope. Finally we saw little lights on the horizon and we were drifting to a little island, it was a fishing village. The folks there were hospitable, they sold us gas and we asked them where was Cebu, they were smiling and said Cebu was only 15 minutes from where we were. The dawn broke and Cebu Island was visible! What a beautiful sight!

Through this ordeal, so many thoughts went through my mind, first, that it is important to have a compass. The Bible is our compass in our life's journey on a lonely sea. The Psalmist says, "Thy word, oh Lord, is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." Second, when we are going around in circles in a fog remember, "There is always a time for a new beginning"- He will make the dawn break & show us the way home.

Richard Emperado

Thank You

- A big thank you to all who prepared and served the delicious dinner for Wendell's funeral. Thank you for the beautiful plant and for all the prayers, calls, cards and hugs. I am so Blessed to have such a wonderful, supportive church family. Love you all, Patrece Allen
- Thank you to everyone for the spiritual training, love, hugs and prayers of encouragement, as well as the financial gifts that are allowing me to go on the Philippine Mission Trip. This is something I have wanted to do for a long time. I accept it as an honor to represent you and I am blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Love you All, Sally Melvin