

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

#### **Today's Events**

H.O.P.E. Group (Potluck)

Life Groups

#### **Upcoming Events**

Feb. 18 – Ladies' Class 10:00 a.m. Feb. 19 – Meal: Biscuits & Gravy Feb. 22 – Ladies' PJ Party Feb. 25 – Ladies' Class 10:00 a.m. March 4 – Meal: Baked Potatoes, Salad, Brownies March 11 – Meal: Chicken Tortillas, Green Beans, Dessert April 7 – Alva Bible Chair Dinner April 8 – Blood Drive April 18 – Garriott Road Ladies' Day

## Record for 2-9-20

Bible Class 14	18
Morning Worship17	74
Life Group 8	32
Contribution \$5,316.2	20
Budget \$6,634.6	62
YTD Contribution \$30,952.9	
YTD Budget \$39,807.7	2
Families Served at Pantry	36
Total People Served at Pantry 24	13

## **Birthdays**

#### February:

19<sup>th</sup> Bennie Guymon

21<sup>st</sup> Cheryl McNabb Joey Burnett

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#533			
Welcome/Scripture: Psalm 100			Erik Granberg
Opening Prayer			Dennis Hartman
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		Cooper Thornton	
David Granberg	Zach Guymon	Roger Owen	Jim Coker
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#148		I Keep Falli	ing in Love with Him
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Sermon: Games People Play: Candyland			
		Just As I	
Closing/Announcements			Gordon Jantz
Shepherd's Prayer			Pat Meek
Children's Worship		Ja	agueline Anderson
Nursery			
Sound Booth			
Slides			

**Order of Worship** 

Sermon Scripture: Proverbs 6.9-11; Galatians 5.22-23

**Sermon Thought:** Moderation avoids extremes and is a good thing. However, living a life of moderation can be difficult in today's world. The Bible teaches us that excess doesn't work so well, and it helps us understand why and how to live in moderation.

## Sermon Questions:

- 1. What makes living in moderation difficult in our culture?
- 2. What problems come with living in excess?

3. Self-control is one of the fruits of the spirit. How can living with self control make you a better follower of God?

#### **New Prayer Concerns:**

- <u>Cody & Shala Fuksa</u> Landis & Renee's son & daughter-inlaw; Shala has started her radiation for her brain tumor. Also pray for Cody to have strength through these trying times.
- Joshua & Bethany Granbergdealing with bad news regarding their pregnancy
- <u>Christian & Madison Solis</u> prayers that he can find a fulltime job & she can have the strength to work the 3 jobs she has
- <u>Debbie Martin</u> multiple health issues
- <u>Opal George</u> Geneva Osburn's mother; in the hospital with health issues
- <u>Jane Ging</u> Gordon Jantz's sister; recovering from hip replacement surgery while also struggling with MS

#### Next Week's (2/23) Servants:

Song Leader:	Sean Sellers
Opening Prayer:	Derek Tinius
Communion Talk:	George Gordon
Lead Servant:	Wayne Williams
Servers:	Robb Mills Michael Manley Bill Spencer Brett Thornton David Burford Trenn Watson
Shepherd's Prayer:	John Wright
Sound Booth:	Terry Sherrill
Slides:	Chris Taylor
Nursery Attendants:	Patrece Allen Jacqueline Anderson
Children's Worship:	Megan Darrow

## Heavenly Treasure (Matthew 13:51-52) Kingdom Training

No matter where we are in life, there is one thing we all have in common – Training. It began in early childhood with potty training, and our parents training us in life values and skills. Training is an essential part of being an athlete, a gymnast, or any of the performing arts. As we entered the job world, we were trained for the tasks we were expected to do. This aspect of training is what makes us who we are and how we succeed in our physical life.

As we begin our spiritual life in the kingdom of heaven, we have to expect that God will give us some **kingdom training**. In Jesus' parable of The Dragnet, he asks his disciples if they understood it. They said "yes" and then he told them "*Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old*" (Matt. 13:52). As we read the holy Word of God, he is training us how to live and function in the kingdom of heaven. Jesus, in his parables also gives us invaluable training to help us navigate this new spiritual journey we are on. Jesus wants us to succeed in this new life and provides the **kingdom training** God gave him. Peter affirms this when he writes, "*His divine power has granted us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him* [*Jesus*] who called us to his own glory and excellence" (2 Pet. 1:3). What a wonderful spiritual life we have being trained by the King of our heavenly dwelling. Paul also testifies to the value of our **kingdom training** with these words. "*Train yourself in godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come*" (1 Tim. 4:7-8). Let us be committed to making good on this **kingdom training** God is giving us.

# Gordon

## **Elder Selection Process**

Last week, the names of potential elders were presented to the congregation: Brent Dittmeyer, Dan Kent, Pat Meek, Terry Sherrill, & John Wright. Please consider those whose names have been put forward. Any questions or concerns should be discussed with the individual for clarification and/or better understanding of circumstances.

# **Communication Directory**

The new communication directory is almost done! Please check the copies on the welcome center to make sure your information is correct. You can also check online by going to our website <u>www.northgarlandchurch.org</u>. Click the resources tab, then directory. Our new password is Mark1615. If anything needs to be changed, please write it in on the paper copies or let Mandy know. For anyone who missed having their picture taken, Mandy will be taking pictures March 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

# **Painting Party**

Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 9 a.m., we will be painting the youth room! Most of it has been done, we just need help finishing up. Please come and help if you can.

# Pajama Party!

February 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6-8 p.m., we will be having a pajama party for the women at church of all ages! Dessert will be provided, just bring finger foods. We will be having a devo and activities. Contact Jadey Lincoln with any questions.

# **Children's Ministry Matters**

Starting March 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be starting our worship service with a special children's lesson. Children ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, are invited up front for a short lesson from Derek Tinius.