



Women's Fellowship

Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Class
10:00 -11:30 am.
Study is in Acts.

Ladies Hand & Foot Card Fellowship: 2nd & 4th Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall. Play begins at 1:00pm. Bring your favorite snack and join us for the fun

OutReach

Christ's Closet

Free Clothing for anyone in need.
Open Wednesdays 9:00 – Noon

Mountain States Children's Home

Remember to bring supplies for the children's home box. Bring Non-Perishable Items.

Food Pantry

The pantry is located in the room left of the library. There are sacks in the pantry room if you or someone you know is in need of any of these items. Feel free to take what you need. If you have a donation for the pantry please put it on the table in the pantry room.

Peru Ministry

Support Oscar, Anna Maria, Queca and Tony Woods in their outreach in Peru.

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Meeting times:

Sunday :
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am

Wednesday:
Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Open Congregational meeting – 2nd and 4th Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome.

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Welcome to the Kennewick Church of Christ

Hold Fast

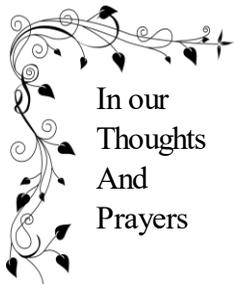
"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope that it waver not; for he is faithful that promised" (Heb. 10:23). There were many trials and problems to confront the Christian when the above was written. Even as there are today! But we are told to hold fast. "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58). The prize doesn't go to the one who starts the race, but to the one who finishes it. At the end of his life, Paul could say, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith" (2 Tim. 4:7). And, earlier the same apostle had written, "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong" (1 Cor. 16:13). If we truly believe our Father God, we will not "be quickly shaken" (2 Thess. 2:2).

In times of stress it is so easy to let doubts gnaw at us. But, we should have the boldness to come before God with assurance that He will hear and answer our prayers. However, there is a condition on this. "But let him ask in faith, nothing doubting: for he that doubteth is like the surge of the sea driven by the wind and tossed" (James 1:6). We need to learn that we cannot cope with life's problems alone. But God cares, and He will keep us. "Casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you" (1 Peter 5:7). God's promises are received by faith (Heb. 4:1-3), and unless we trust God we cannot have the strength needed to overcome.

What a wonderful joy to have the faith that God will keep all His promises! "He is faithful that promised" (Heb. 10:23). Men disappoint us, but God will always do what He says He will. That is why Paul said, "For which cause I suffer also these things; yet I am not ashamed; for I know him whom I have believed, and I am persuaded that he is able to guard that which I have committed unto him against that day" (2 Tim. 1:12). Because God's promises are true, Peter said that he has "granted unto us his precious and exceeding great promises; that through these ye may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in that world by lust" (2 Peter 1:4). What gives us boldness? God is faithful. He keeps his promises.

Do trials come? "And we know that to them that love God all things work together for good, even to them that are called according to his purpose" (Rom. 8:28). God never promised that problems would not come. He only promised that He will give the strength needed to cope with them. When Paul asked the Lord that his "thorn in the flesh" be removed, He answered, "My grace is sufficient for thee; for my power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor. 12:9). God will not remove

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In our
Thoughts
And
Prayers

Doug Davis, Marilyn Farris, Gloria Ford, Marsha, Pam Fox's grandson, Canaco & Eli - dealing with cancer
Abigail Jones, Karen McBurney, Dustin Stecker, Doris Pennington, Betty VanVoorst, Logan Johnson , Bob Childers, Leroy Pierce – Health issues
Mary Beth Walker – Surgery went well and she is still recovering.
Barbara Goldsmith – Heart tests

Shirley Childers – Blood Clots in lungs

Laveda Brumfield, Marie Frolin, Don Jespersen, Lucy Larsen, Gloria Moore, Bruce

Pennington, Mary Lewis, Don Powell - Homebound

Oscar & Ana Maria Castro in Peru

Hannah Minor – Studying abroad

There is more safety with Christ in the tempest than without Christ in the calmest waters."
-Alexander Grosse

It is often in the valleys and storms of life that we begin to doubt God's faithfulness. But how could we? He is faithful to never leave nor forsake us. In times of trouble, His faithfulness is most demonstrated even when we are most unaware of his presence.

(2) When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you.

(5) Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and gather you from the west. (6) I will say to the north, "Give them up!" And to the south, "Do not hold them back." Bring my sons from afar, And my daughters from the ends of the earth, (7) everyone who is called by My name, and whom I have created for My glory, Whom I have formed, even whom I have made. (Isaiah 43:2, 5-7)



**1st Sunday
Potluck (11/6)**

After morning worship. Come join us for a potluck meal and Christian fellowship.



**2nd Saturday
Men's Breakfast
8:30 am (11/12)**

All the men are invited to come together for a time of devotion and fellowship



**Birthdays/Anniversaries
10/9 – 10/16**

Marlene Blankenship 10/9
Mark & Sue Minor 10/9
Keith Toombs 10/15
Bob Childers 10/15
Charlie & Phyllis Batson 10/16

~ Hymns of Praise ~

The Great Awakening of the 1700s was a heaven sent revival to many parts of the world. In America, the preaching of George Whitefield and Jonathan Edward renewed Christian zeal and swept multitudes into the kingdom. In England, the open-air evangelism of Whitefield and the Wesley brothers did the same. In Wales, it was the electrifying preaching of Howell Harris and his convert, William Williams.

Williams, son of a wealthy farmer, graduated from the university as a physician, intending to become a medical doctor. But hearing a sermon that Harris preached while standing on a gravestone in Talgarth churchyard, he was converted. Soon thereafter, he changed professions to become a physician of the soul – a preacher.

During his 43 years of itinerant ministry, Williams traveled over 95,000 miles, drawing crowds of 10,000 or more. Once he spoke to an estimated 80,000, noting in his journal, "God strengthened me to speak so loud that most could hear."

Williams is best remembered, however, for his hymns. He has been called the "Sweet Singer of Wales," and the "Watts of Wales." In all, he composed over 800 hymns, his best known being this autobiographical prayer with its many Old Testament allusions, which first appeared in Williams' collection of Welsh hymns, *Alleluia* (1745), entitled "Strength to Pass Through the Wilderness."

Williams lived as a pilgrim, pressing through the snow of winter, the rains of springtime, and the heat of summer. He was both beaten by mobs (once nearly dying) and cheered by crowds, but in all his travels he sought only to do the will of God until his death at age 74.

Many years later, when President James Garfield was dying of an assassin's bullet, he seemed to temporarily rally and was allowed to sit by the window. His wife began singing this hymn, and the President, listening intently, began to cry. To his doctor, Willard Bliss he said, "'Glorious Bliss, isn't it?'" This hymn was also sung at the funeral of England's Princess Diana.

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land./ I am weak but Thou art mighty, Hold me with Thy powerful hand./ Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more; Bread of Heaven, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing waters flow; Let the fiery, cloudy pillar, Lead me all my journey thro'; Strong Deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield; Strong Deliverer, Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Bear me thro' the swelling current, Land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises I will ever give to thee; Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

(17) For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, [a] as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." (Rom. 1:17)