

Hypocrites in the Church

I was recently informed by somebody that she couldn't come to church because the church is full of hypocrites. Stop the presses! It's a news flash! I had no idea that people come to church with impure motives, and smile when they don't even like you, and really don't mean it when they sing "All to Jesus I Surrender." I'm shocked.

Of course, it's nice to know that God has rounded up all the hypocrites and put them in church buildings so that all the people in the world who have pristine motives and clear consciences don't have to put up with them (at least on Sunday mornings).

She's right, you know. There are hypocrites in the church. There are Christians who would fight to the death over the inspiration of the Bible, but who rarely take it down off the shelf to read for themselves; Christians who would split a church over a cappella music in worship, but who never open a song book or their mouths to sing praise to God; Christians who would defend the importance of the church, but think nothing of gossiping about and slandering its members.

I am rarely surprised anymore, but still frequently amazed at some of the attitudes that Christians have. We must amaze and distress the Lord with the inconsistency between our beliefs and behaviors - our ability to believe one thing while living another. I'm not talking about those whose lives don't come up to their ideals. We're all guilty of that. The Lord wants us to set goals, especially the goal of being like Christ. He also knows that we will fall short. The hypocrite is different. He sets a standard for everyone else and a standard for himself. He makes demands on others that he has no intentions of living up to. He exempts himself from any real holiness, any true discipleship, because he secretly assumes his superiority over others and his deservedness before God. Of all the sins that Jesus confronted, none received a more scathing rebuke than hypocrisy. Perhaps because hypocrisy is the outward expression of a heart that is too full of self to have room for God.

Yes, Virginia, there are hypocrites in the church. Now, whether that's a valid excuse for exempting yourself from church, you'll have to take that up with God. He might decide you need to be in there with all the rest of us.

John Roberts

Up a Tree and Out on a Limb

Luke 19:1-10

- I. Zacchaeus
 - A chip on his shoulder
 - Tax collectors
- II. Jesus comes to Jericho
 - Healed a blind man
 - Crowds are surrounding him
 - Zacchaeus climbs a tree
- III. I'm coming to your house!
 - Another party with "sinners"
 - Who would have picked Zacchaeus?
 - The presence of Jesus—a response from the heart
 - Making restitution
 - "Salvation has come to this house!"
 - "Saved" and "Lost"
 - Jesus' mission—his church's mission



Upcoming Events

March 16-18 - The Boulder Valley Church of Christ will be here for their Spring Youth Retreat. Our youth are invited to join them in their activities over the weekend.

It's time to **update our directory** again. Many of you have had changes since the last directory, please email or give Darcy your current address, phone, email. If you are new and need information in the directory, you can complete a directory form (on the back bulletin board) and return to the church office or to Darcy **BY TODAY**. Please see Jessica Hawkins ASAP if you need a directory picture or need to update one.

Congratulations!

Tanner Jadwin placed first in 2 downhill events at the Special Olympics held February 10. Next up are regionals and then an event in California in March. **Good Luck Tanner!**

Juan Felan—placed 6th at the High School Wrestling regionals. **Way to go Juan!**

Opportunities to Serve

Children's and Teen Classes

Infant through 2 yrs	Rosa Collier	Rm 204
3 yrs to Kinder	Jean & Jessica Hawkins	Rm 104
1st - 3rd grades	Debbie Loter	Rm 105
4th - 6th grades	Nichole Ives	Rm 107
7th - 12th grade	Kurt Carruth	Rm 103

Welcome to Kingdom Builders!



Calling all youth from 4th grade to our seniors, Deena Stanley downstairs in the Teen Room. Currently Deena is teaching a study titled, "Choices That Determine Destiny." Together with our youth she will be studying a method of making godly choices in everyday living and helping the youth to see the importance that friends play in their decision-making process.

Parents & Grandparents Take a moment when you are downstairs to check out the bulletin board spotlighting the kiddos artwork created during Sunday School and Kingdom Kids. We have some very talented little ones!

Suggestion Box

There is now a suggestion box in the foyer for anyone to offer suggestions on how the Glenwood church can have greater effectiveness in God's kingdom.

Praying for Our Missionaries

Let's remember our Mission Teams that we help support through prayer and giving. Their needs are many, their hearts are HUGE!!
La Roca, Tijuana, Mexico...Carlos & Rossy
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil...Larry & Connie
Campus Crusade, Florida...Russ & Jo Anne
Youth for Christ, Colorado...Pete, Zack, Rosa, Oscar

Opportunities to Grow in the Word

Sunday morning 9 am: Adult Bible class in the Fellowship Room. Studying the book of Ephesians

Sunday evenings: Life Groups - See Hawkins, Higgins or Roberts for times and places.

Wednesday evening 6 pm: Meal and Bible class in the Fellowship Room. Video series on the message of the Bible.

For Our Guests:

We are thrilled that you have joined us this morning. We hope that your time of worship and fellowship will be a blessing to you. As our guest, we would like to ask you to **fill out a guest card** that you will find in the rack on the back of each pew. When the offering tray comes around, just drop it in as your contribution to us.

If you have any needs we can help with, or if you are looking for a church family where you can worship and serve God, please let us know how we can serve you.

For Your Children:

A Nursery is available for babies through age 3 at the back of the auditorium (on the east side).

Kingdom Kids is for children who are ages 4 years through 4th grade. They will be dismissed to go downstairs after the offering.

Kingdom Builders is for 5th grade through teens. Meet in teen room after the offering.

Each week this congregation participates in the Lord's Supper, following the teaching of Scripture and the pattern of the church in the New Testament. This is a time for those who have committed themselves to follow Jesus as Lord to remember His sacrifice for us and to renew our allegiance to Him. Everyone sharing this intention is welcome to participate.

<u>Last Week Contribution</u>	<u>Weekly Budget</u>	<u>YTD +/-</u>
\$2,181	\$3,608	\$ 2,663

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Please Pray For:

Current Prayer Requests:

Kellie Higgins' brother Johnny—recovering from surgery following an accident where he lost a portion of three fingers.
Deena Stanley's aunt Pat—had gallbladder and part of colon removed and has been in excruciating pain.
Jamie Campa—recovering from surgery for a broken wrist.
Debbie Loter's dad Cecil— waiting for recent test results
Mason Haputli—upcoming cataract surgery in February
Carruth family- Lela's friend is going through family issues, **grandmother** recovering from gallbladder surgery, and cousin Sara.
Russ Licht is doing well following his transplant. Follow his progress at caring-bridge.org.
Leona Croissant recovering from knee replacement 1/15.

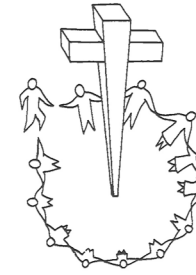
On-going prayer requests: Please contact Darcy with updates

David Bishop and Sharon Bishop and aunt Eva & David's co-worker's son Jesse	David Collier's father-in-law, Jerry Rosa Collier's brother Bill White
Pam Brown's mom Myra West & Dennis' uncle Doug Houg	Croissant's friend Laura and Cousin Hudson
Matt Burt and family	Marilyn Landrum's ex-brother-in-law Lewis' son, Richard & great-granddaughter Sylvia
Jamie Campa	Loters—Debbies father—Cecil
Grant Carruth	Olivia Jones' friend Debbie
Collier family— Bob's mother Barbara	Paul Kite
Patsy Dowdy	Stephen Donelly
Guernsey Family	Kathy Lough's brother & sister-in-law Mark & Susie and Greg's mom Lavean
Hagemann's friend -Kim Cornelius	Roxanne Lough & Travis Jadwin's Aunt Alice and niece Lindy
Jerry Hays	Amanda & Major Ogg
Charlotte & Margaret Hicks and friend Deena & nephew/cousin	Mike Peppers
Higgins/Smith Family	Nancy Reinisch and family
Robert Michael Stone	Rich Roper & family
Linda Holloway	Kurt Rich's sister-in-law, Angie
Dennis Hunstad's father Don, mother Carolyn and cousin—Debbie	Saathoff's friend Jesslyn
Chris Lynch	Deena Stanley
	Larry Tarrant
	White's grandson Jayden

Our missionaries: **Russ & Jo Anne Licht** (Campus Crusade for Christ), **Larry and Connie Zinck** (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), **Carlos and Rossy Montoya** with **La Roca Ministries, (Tijuana)**, **Youth For Christ** (Glenwood Springs).

Our nation's leaders and those serving our country: **Tate Stanley, Anthony Pittman;** Kathy Lough's nephew, **Taylor Rowan;** Jean Hawkins' nephew, **Joshua Catellier;** Lisa Schultz's, nephew **Patrick Byers;** Margaret Hicks' step-grandson **Austin Atkenson,** , Debbie Loter's nephew **Chris Wiggs,** friends **Shane, Vanessa Hinojos & Kyle Gill.** Rosa Collier's nephews **Trey Chisolm & Chris Griffin,** Wade's brother **Troy Higgins,** **Kate Loman;** Ann's grand-daughter

We have a group of people who serve this congregation by praying for any situation, person, or need. You can activate the chain by contacting Jean Hawkins or Zona Hays or any member of the prayer chain.



Glenwood Church of Christ

A church where you can...
*experience God's love
grow in God's family
serve in God's kingdom*

February 25, 2018

Worship in Song

Dennis Brown

230 - Worthy Art Thou

Greeting

398 - Surely the Presence of the Lord

What the Lord Has Done in Me

Prayer

Nick Croissant

337 - Hallelujah! What a Savior

Here in This Place

Communion

Wade Higgins

664 - Take My Life, and Let It Be

Sermon "Up a Tree..."

John Roberts

662 - All to Jesus I Surrender

Announcements & Closing Prayer

Brad Jordan

692 - Change My Heart, O God

Scheduled Meeting Times

	Sunday
9:00 A.M.	Bible Class
10:00 A.M.	Worship
Various times	Life Groups - in homes
	Wednesday
6:00 P.M.	Bible Study