

Is It a Bargain?

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

Matthew 13:44

I'm a bargain hunter. My kids would probably say cheap-skate. I love to find a good deal, and there have been times I've been known to stock up when something is on a really good sale. My mom was the opposite - she thought if something was on sale it must be defective. She not only paid full price, she looked for the most expensive brand of whatever she was buying.

I have found there are some things you don't want to pay too little for, because sometimes cheap isn't a bargain. If you buy something cheap and it doesn't do what you bought it to do it's not much of a bargain. That's really true of most things in life.

I heard a saying years ago: "Most people have just enough religion to make them miserable, but not enough to make them happy." There are people who come to religion thinking a little bit is all they really want. Just enough to stay on speaking terms with God, but not so much that it cramps their lifestyle. Just enough that they have their names on a church membership roll, but not so much that anyone expects them to do something.

And they think they are getting a bargain. But they come to church and it really doesn't do much for them, they don't get anything out of it, and they think the problem is with the church. So, they try another church down the road, but their occasional attendance and lack of involvement doesn't change, and they don't get anything out of church there either. The bargain doesn't turn out to be much of a bargain.

The truth is, God doesn't want just a little bit of you, he doesn't have a bargain shelf religion. It's all or nothing. In order to experience the fullness of God's blessings, you have to dive in deep and commit your whole heart and life. Only then will we really experience the "abundant" life Jesus came to give.

John Roberts

The Blessing - 2

Mark 10:13-16

- I. The gift of the Blessing
 - What it gives
 - How it happens
- II. Meaningful Touch
 - The importance of hugs
 - You know I'm thinking about you...
 - Physical and relational benefits
 - The model of Jesus
- III. Spoken Message
 - The power of words to build up or tear down
 - Lifelong consequences
- IV. High Value
 - Genuine worth and unconditional love
 - "Wholesome" words
 - Finding time

Upcoming Events

April 21— Ladies Day 9:00 am til noon. There will be breakfast, fellowship, and encouragement. Please plan to come. There is a sign-up sheet on the back bulletin board.

April 22—**Kingdom Builders Pizza Party**—**all KB kids and older teens (except graduating seniors)** please stay after services to celebrate how hard the kids have been working in KB. We will also use this opportunity to have the kids work on the **skits for Senior Banquet** and Deena would like to meet with parents to discuss and get input on the summer plans.

May 6—**Youth For Christ Run For Youth**—we have several members participating in the run and looking for pledges.

May 20—**Senior Banquet workday** following the service

June 3—**Senior Banquet 4:30pm. Everyone is invited!**

Please join us for an evening to honor and celebrate our graduating Seniors: Austin Hawkins, Jack Carruth and Juan Felan. Dinner and entertainment provided, \$8.00 per person. Please RSVP to Darcy by May 1.

Congratulations to Samantha Felan—she placed 1st in Weapons at the United States Karate Alliance National Championships held in Albuquerque, NM.

Opportunities to Serve

Children's and Teen Classes

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| 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 |

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...Please keep in your prayers the staff at YFC: Pete, Rosa, Zac, & Oscar

Pray for their physical energy for the Run in May, and that hearts are open to give!

Pray for an abundance of volunteers for the many different ministries that YFC heads up,
Pray for our youth in our schools.

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. Bible study of the Book of Revelation.

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.

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> |
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| \$2,173 | \$3,608 | \$ 2,752 |

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Please Pray For:

Current Prayer Requests:

Julie Boteilho's brother Rick Pancost is having heart issues.

The Flohr family- Fred (Linda's father-in-law, Jack and Troy's grandfather) passed away March 20.

Jordan's friend—Lisa's mother recently diagnosed with late stage cancer.

Kellie Higgins' brother Johnnie—recovering from surgery following an accident where he lost a portion of three fingers. No insurance, long recovery ahead.

Mason Haputli—recovering from cataract surgery.

Carruth family- Lela's friend is going through family issues, **grandmother** recovering from gallbladder surgery, and cousin Sara.

On-going prayer requests: Please contact Darcy with updates

David Bishop's co-worker's son Jesse
Pam Brown's mom Myra West
& Dennis' uncle Doug Houg

Matt Burt's family

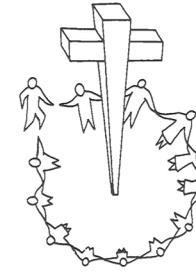
Jamie Campa
Grant Carruth
Collier family— Bob's mother Barbara
Patsy Dowdy
Guernsey Family
Hagemann's friend -Kim Cornelius
Jerry Hays
Charlotte & Margaret Hicks and friend
Deena & nephew/cousin
Higgins/Smith Family
Robert Michael Stone
Linda Holloway
Dennis Hunstad's father Don, mother
Carolyn and cousin—Debbie
Chris Lynch
David Collier's father-in-law, Jerry
Rosa Collier's brother Bill White

Croissant's friend Laura and Cousin's
Hudson and Kelly
Russ Licht and Family
Lewis' son, Richard & great-granddaughter Sylvia
Loters—Debbies father—Cecil
Olivia Jones' friend Debbie
Paul Kite
Kathy Lough's brother & sister-in-law
Mark & Susie and Greg's mom Lavean
Roxanne Lough & Travis Jadwin's
Aunt Alice and niece Lindy
Amanda & Major Ogg
Mike Peppers
Nancy Reinisch and family
Rich Roper & family
Saathoff's friend Jesslyn
Deena Stanley and her aunt Pat
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*

April 15, 2018

Worship in Song

Jason Collier

Come, Worship Christ the King

Greeting

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Prayer

234 - Worthy Is the Lamb

176 - Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

Communion

431 - Break Thou the Bread of Life

Sermon "The Blessing - 2"

John Roberts

In This Place

Announcements & Closing Prayer

To the Least of These

Scheduled Meeting Times

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