

Pursuing Purpose

I love to see people who know what they want to do in life and pursue it with singular focus. It is exciting to see intensity and zeal fill a person's life and motivate them to achieve great things. Especially when most of us muddle around in day to day existence, unconcerned with goals, oblivious to the future. We just hope to make it through another day; our purpose is merely to draw a paycheck and keep our bills paid. Hopefully that doesn't describe you, but it probably does a lot of the people you know.

The fact is God designed us to live with purpose and meaning, to have a reason to get out of bed in the morning and know why we're here. Paul described his purpose:

I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. (Phil. 3:10-14).

He went on to say, "All of us who are mature should take such a view of things," and "Join with others in following my example." He wasn't issuing a challenge to the spiritually elite, but to every Christian. He knew how important it is that we have a purpose for our lives firmly underlying everything we do.

Our faith isn't something that is window dressing or decoration around the edges of our lives, but foundational to who we are and why we live the way we live. It drives every moment of every day, it guides every decision, thought, word and action.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things will be give you as well."

When you get the main thing right, everything else follows.

John Roberts

Grow Up! *Ephesians 4:11-16*

- I. Growing and developing
 - o Physical and spiritual

- II. Myths of spiritual maturity
 - o Spiritual growth is _____
Fact: _____
 - o Spiritual growth is measured by _____
Fact: _____
 - o Spiritual growth occurs with _____
Fact: _____
 - o People are _____
Fact: _____

- III. Made to grow up into servants
 - o The role of spiritual leaders
 - o What keeps us from growing?
 - o Made for ministry

Upcoming Events

TODAY—Senior Banquet workday following the service. All volunteers are WELCOME! We also need the youth involved in the skits to stay and practice.

June 3—Senior Banquet to honor and celebrate our graduating Seniors: Austin Hawkins, Jack Carruth and Juan Felan.

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

Praying for Our Missionaries

Please pray for Missionaries around the world. Pray for protection from physical harm. Pray for healthy bodies to be able to do the work God has sent them to do. Pray for their finances, and that they receive in abundance. Pray for them to understand they need times of refreshing to give them the strength to continue in their work. Pray for our hearts to remember that we are to "Go into all the world and make disciples," and if we can't go, we can send!

Opportunities to Grow in the Word

Sunday morning 9 am: Adult Bible class in the Fellowship Room. Studying the Names of God.

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 Bible study of great themes in the Bible.

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>
\$3,319	\$3,608	- \$423

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Please Pray For:

Current Prayer Requests:

Dennis Hunstad's father, Don—recovery from another stroke.

Loter's daughter-in-law's father passed away on May 4.

Tricia Jadwin's father—Charles Reed fell off a roof and suffered severe injuries and is recovering at St. Mary's.

Ryan and Molly Brinkman—Their baby Beau died at birth April 15. If you would like to send a note, their address is on the back board.

Leona Croissant recovering from her 2nd knee replacement surgery.

Julie Boteilho's brother Rick Pancost has developed complications involving his heart issues.

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

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

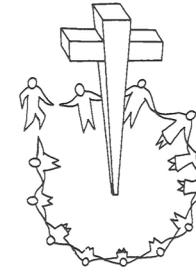
David Bishop's co-worker's son Jesse
Pam Brown's mom Myra West
& Dennis' uncle Doug Houg
Matt Burt's family
Jamie Campa
Grant Carruth
Collier family— Bob's mother Barbara
Patsy Dowdy
Guernsey Family
Hagemann's friend -Kim Cornelius
Jerry Hays
Charlotte & Margaret Hicks and friend
Deena & nephew/cousin
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
Jordan's friend Lisa's mother
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

May 20, 2018

Worship in Song

Dennis Brown

15 - Step by Step

Greeting

509 - I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

478 - Nearer, Still Nearer

Prayer

791 - On Bended Knee

552 - Have Thine Own Way

Communion

Lord, Reign in Me

Sermon "Grow Up!"

John Roberts

790 - Lord, Take Control

Announcements & Closing Prayer

Days of Elijah

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