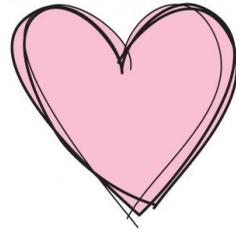


**ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY:**



**BIBLE WORD SEARCH!**

Everything Has Its Time (Ecc. 3:1-8))

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| AWAY    | BORN   | BREAK      |
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| EMBRACE | EVERY  | EVERYTHING |
| GAIN    | GATHER | HATE       |
| HEAL    | HEAVEN | KEEP       |
| KILL    | LAUGH  | LOSE       |
| LOVE    | MOURN  | PEACE      |
| PLANT   | PLUCK  | PURPOSE    |
| REFRAIN | STONES | TIME       |

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**Events for Bridgeport 2022**

Family Bowling Night (Date TBA)  
 May 15 - Friends & Family Day  
 Summer - VBS  
 August- Ladies Planning Meeting

**Elders:** Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle & Wayne Hartman

**Deacons:** Gene Wright & Robbie Buffington

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**Bridgeport Church of Christ**

February 27th, 2022



**On Perseverance and Giving Up**

Everyone gets tired from time to time. Often tiredness leads to exhaustion. When exhaustion is full and there's still work to be done, it can lead to burnout. With burnout comes an increased distance from job or family responsibilities, negativity, cynicism, and an abiding feeling of *needful* change. The thought is that if I move, or change jobs, or drastically change immediate things in my life, I'll be renewed and no longer feel like giving up. Solomon would say, this "is vanity and striving after the wind" (Eccl. 2:11).

**Times of Service**

**Sunday:**

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6 pm

**Wednesday:**

Bible Study 7 pm

I believe more people are bordering on burnout than ever before. The toll of the last several strenuous years have left many with an emptiness and banality that they alone cannot grasp or manage. We've burned out in many cases. Yet, what God's word says to people like us is, "don't give up! Keep going!"

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When faced with persecution and hardship for simply being Christians, many Jews who embraced Jesus at first found themselves longing for the “easier” and “less wearisome” path of Judaism. The Hebrews writer counsels them to NEVER consider giving up their hope and confidence obtained through Jesus Christ (Heb. 10:35-39). In chapter 12, he gives several practical things to look at when perseverance is hard:

Look around (12:1a). The witnesses of those who lived faithfully stand as encouragements of people who, by faithfulness, made it through their own times when they wanted to give up (reread Heb. 11).

Look at yourself (12:1b). There may be things you are carrying that are sinful that are tripping you up. There are also things that you’re carrying that may *not* be sinful, but are weighing you down. Give those things up! What do I need to change to persevere (2 Cor. 13:5)?

Look at Jesus (12:2-4). Remember Jesus persevered when He was facing perhaps the most brutal way man has ever invented to kill another. He wanted to do anything but (Matt. 26:39). Yet, He persevered through the cross and became the example “lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls” (12:3).

Look at the trial itself (12:5-12). What you are facing and going through, God purposes to refine your character (Jas. 1:2-4). Stay faithful through the difficulty. Don’t give up, don’t give in! Remember God is with you!

I think Hebrews 12:12-13 ought to be written on our mirrors every morning. God who works through pain will bring healing if we stick it out! Don’t give up! Keep going!

With Him, the best is yet to be!

Andy Baker  
Graeber Road church of Christ  
Rosenberg, TX



**February Card Distributor:** Kristina Riffle

**February Baptismal Garments:** Kristina Riffle

**February Greeter:** Karen Seyler

**Our Record: February 20th**

**Sunday Morning Assembly**

72

**Sunday Bible Class**

62

**Sunday Evening**

34

**Wednesday Bible Study**

27

**Contribution (Budget \$4,000)**

\$3,405

**February Birthdays / Anniversary List:**

- 2-Ed Loy 2-Alana Harper 4-Carson Currey
- 4-Kathy Cross 5-Larry Seyler
- 7- Howard Collins Jr 8- John Adams
- 9-Sydney Buffington 13-Linda Williams
- 16-Rachael Seyler 23-Holly Weaver
- 24-Caitlin Moore 28-Steve Cross

**Prayer Requests**

**For Our Congregation:**

- *Our Shut-in's: Jackie Moore, Helen Potts, Brenda Fortney, Darrell Eddy, Yvonne Maxwell, and Judy Garner*
- **Southall Family:** Terry’s dad, Ed, passed away.
- **Ed Jenkins**– Going through testing this week

to determine more about the tumors.

- **Evelyn Griffin**– Tested positive for Covid.
- **Tim & Rebecca** – Beginning a new chapter with Rebecca’s retirement.



**For Our Family & Friends:**

- **Kay Burnett**– Metastatic Cancer
- **Robbie** (Cheryl’s brother) test came back and they are looking good.
- **Randy & Beth Cook’s nephew Ashton** (age 2) - battling a brain tumor.
- **Our Leaders**
- **Sharon’s son, Chuck, and his wife**– have covid.
- **Karen Jones (Cheryl’s friend)**- going through a tough time.

(If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email it to [bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com](mailto:bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com) or write it down and give it to Natalie Seyler before Thursday of that week.)