

## Family Information

### Worship At Willow Brook This Afternoon

Willow Brook Christian Home (at 55 Lazelle Road) is resuming having local congregations organize their Sunday afternoon worship times. This afternoon (June 18), it will be Northland's turn. The assembly will begin at 2:00 PM, and Caleb will be speaking. See him for more details.

### Men's Lunch Next Sunday

There will be a Northland brothers' lunch next Sunday, June 25, after morning worship (at 11:45 AM). All men are invited to attend, provided you sign-up on the sheet on the bulletin board. We will be selecting a restaurant in the area. Please sign-up ASAP so we can reserve your seat.

### Planning Meeting For Joint Worship

There will be a planning meeting with the Ghana church next Sunday, June 25th, at 2:15 pm to discuss our next joint worship. We're tentatively planning September 10th as the joint worship at 6:00 pm.

### Wednesday Outreach Meeting Schedule Revised

The next Outreach Meeting will be on Wednesday, August 2, at 6:30 PM (the group is taking July off). The Outreach Team is currently meeting once per month, on the first Wednesday of each month. See Caleb if you have any questions.

### Camp Week At Fort Hill

Camp week at Fort Hill is coming up from July 16-22. If you are interested to come as staff, or if you have kids who want to come, please let Josh Evans know.

## On Line Bible Studies

### Current On-Line Studies

First and third Friday of each month at 6:30 PM - TGIF Bible Study led by Mike Evans. Contact him or Leisha for details and updates.

**Mondays** at 6:30 PM - Women's prayer group, hosted by Peggy Kaiser. Contact her for details. If you aren't able to join, you can e-mail prayer requests to Peggy.

**Tuesdays** at 7:00 PM - Women's Bible study "Abide In Christ", led by Karen Susenna. The current study is in Acts. In September, the class will begin a study of 1 Peter, using the workbook "Living Stones" by Casandra Martin. Contact Karen for more details, as well as to request a workbook.

### Children's Classes

We currently have children's classes for ages 2-10 during worship (each of them begins after the Lord's Supper). See Mike Evans for further details. The children's education program needs helpers for all age groups. See Lynn Paden or Emily Graham if you can help.

### Contribution

	Last Week	Average YTD
<b>General:</b>	\$4388	\$4473
<b>Designated:</b>	\$	\$134

#### Service Times

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday Spanish Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday Ghana Worship	12:00 PM
Sunday Evening Worship	4:00 PM

**Minister:** Caleb Dillinger  
**Elders:** Mike Evans, Jeff McVicker, Jim Robbins  
**Deacons:** Lynn Champney, Perry Coate, Glenn Culler, Darrell Estep, Jack Evans, John Lindsay, Don Milnor, Art Silva  
**Spanish Ministry:** Luis Valdez

*For sessions that are currently meeting on-line, see the announcements above.*

## Thoughts For Father's Day

This Father's day as we honor our fathers, let us remember God the Father who created each and every one of us to know Him, love Him, serve Him and be happy with Him in Heaven. We are honored to be called children of God. What an awesome privilege it is for God to want to have a relationship with us and to call him father.

*See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. - 1 John 3:1*

My wife and I have been blessed with five awesome children. During our Bible classes over the years, our focus was to learn how to teach our children to get to Heaven. Our Bible study group shared and discussed what to teach to our children but to also be aware of the world's influence. We wanted to make sure when our children needed to make a big decision like buying a house, a car or even finding a spouse that we were their major influence. We changed our relationship with our children as they became more mature. As small children our relationship was to tell them what to do, as they matured we worked on changing our relationship with them to becoming a strong influence so we could help promote Christian values in their decisions.

*Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. - Proverbs 22:6*

Being a father is not always easy, sometimes it requires difficult decisions or worrying about our children. When things are going great we need to thank God for his blessings and when things are not going great we need to trust in God and lean on Him.

*Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. - Matthew 6:34*

We have always prayed that our children would marry Christian spouses and have been blessed with wonderful Christian sons-in-law and a wonderful Christian daughter-in-law. God does answer prayers! It is awesome to see our grandchildren being raised in a Christian home.

No matter how hard we try to be good fathers we sometimes fail and try to learn from our mistakes. It is great to know we all have a Father who loves us unconditional according to His grace and mercy. As a father we are to be a leader and protector for the family, and to give an example of Christ's love. The Good News: We will make mistakes, but God who loves us unconditionally, will give us grace and forgiveness.

*"But you, my Lord, are a God of compassion and mercy; you are very patient and full of faithful love." -Psalm 86:15*

- Mike Evans



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## Father Loving Father

Father, loving Father,  
Hear Thy children's call;  
With Thy love enfold us,  
And protect us all.

From the dawn's first glimmer,  
To the close of day  
May we feel Thee near us  
On our earthly way.

And from evening prayer time  
Through the dark of night,  
Let us rest in quietness  
Until morn brings light.

Teach our tongues to praise Thee  
In the hymns we sing;  
Teach our hearts to love Thee  
As our voices ring.

- Jean Milne Gower, 1868-1957

*Writer and poet Jean Gower wrote for her local newspaper for many years, and she helped start a women's writers club. In 1910, she also founded an animal shelter that still operates today.*

## My Heavenly Father Knows

I know my heav'nly Father knows  
The storms that would my way oppose;  
But He can drive the clouds away,  
And turn the darkness into day.

I know my heav'nly Father knows  
The balm I need to soothe my woes;  
And with His touch of love divine  
He heals this wounded heart of mine.

I know my heav'nly Father knows  
How frail I am to meet my foes;  
But He my cause will e'er defend,  
Uphold and keep me to the end.

- Sarepta Myranda Irish Henry, 1839-1900

*Writer and poet Sarepta Henry had her first poem published when she was 16, and she began having poetry and essays published in various Christian periodicals. Eventually she published over a dozen books, including two collections of poetry as well as several non-fiction works.*

## We Know Whom We Have Believed

*He has saved us and called us to a holy life . . . - 2 Timothy 1:9*

Jesus has come to save those who believe in his message and walk humbly by faith in him, he has sanctified us and has given us the Spirit of God to live within us, and he has called us to live a holy life. He does all this because of his unfailing compassion and God's desire to pour out his grace on those who seek him with our hearts - . . . *not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace.* - 2 Timothy 1:9

Emperor penguins (the largest penguins; they can be as much as 3 feet tall) endure severe winters they as they raise their young. They breed and give birth during the Antarctic winter, when temperatures can be as low as 40 degrees below zero. In summers, they live on pack ice near the sea; so as winter begins, they travel 50 miles or more inland where the mother produces an egg.

The penguin mother then transfers the egg to the father, a process that takes considerable patience and care, so that the egg won't touch the frozen ground. By now, the mother's food reserves are completely depleted, so she goes back to the open sea where she feeds for several weeks. The emperor penguin father carefully balances the egg on the top of his feet, and surrounds it with warm skin and feathers for a couple months.

The Antarctic winter winds can be over 100 mph, so the fathers gather in groups and remain as motionless as possible until the egg hatches. The penguin mothers then return and take over for the fathers, who by now haven't eaten for over 3 months. As penguin parents put all this care and sacrifice into caring for their young even before they are born, our Heavenly Father had planned long before we were born to give us overflowing grace and compassion through Jesus - *This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.* - 2 Timothy 1:9-10

As the new penguins grow, their parents take turns to return to the sea, to replenish their strength and energy, and to bring food for their young. Meanwhile, the parents also take turns protecting their young from the severe winds and temperatures by forming huddles where the young are kept warm in the middle. Finally, when the young penguins are ready for their adult lives, their parents escort them to the sea.

Similarly, when we put our faith in our Heavenly Father, he guides us, and he guards our spirits as we face the strong winds of this world's futile ways and the chill of this world's harshness and noise. For we know whom we have believed, and his message and his words are trustworthy - *I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.* - 2 Timothy 1:12

We know Jesus, and he is the way and the truth and the life.

- Mark Garner