



Family

West Chicago Church of Christ

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A Preacher's Perspective

It's that wonderful day when we prove our inadequacy in expressing to our mothers how precious they are to us. They are the experts in building up and showing genuine appreciation. They've been working at it since our first words, our first steps, and our first refrigerator-art.

I'm one of those men who is not good at understanding, intuitively, how to show my appreciation. I have made some slight progress in these 45 years, but not much!

Now, you all know my story. Many of you knew my mom, and virtually all of you know my wife. So, I clearly have been blessed in the outstanding mom category. And I have also been blessed with awesome daughters-in-law.

In addition to my personal good fortune in the mom department, I am richly blessed with a church family full of absolutely wonderful mothers, grandmothers, and even great-grandmothers.

But my deepest sense of wonder and amazement at motherhood comes from what I continue to learn about God, the inventor and designer of mothers.

Simply put, God put into mothers unique and invaluable aspects of His own nature. He is perfectly

feminine as well as completely masculine. He created us in His own image.

I delight in the beauty and grace of women, and of little girls. As I was coming home from California, in Midway Airport, I saw a mom and daughter, she was about 6, getting ready for a plane trip adventure. The delight on the face of that little girl, how she clasped her hands together made me laugh out loud. That's something for a sourpuss like me!

But the depth of spiritual power in godly women is truly wonderful. For example, mothers truly embody the quality of comfort. When our souls need a place of refuge, we need our moms. You may remember one of my favorite psalms in demonstration



**Her children rise up
and call her blessed...**

of this quality: ¹ My heart is not proud, O LORD, my eyes are not haughty; I do not concern myself with great matters or things too wonderful for me. ² But I have stilled and quieted my soul; like a weaned child with its mother, like a weaned child is my soul within me." *Psalms 131:1-2 (NIV)*

That is God's design for the place of ultimate comfort and security: in the arms of a loving mother.

Those, of course, are the arms of God in human form. How grateful we are that He has loaned them so generously to our mothers.

Chuck Miller

Welcome to the West Chicago Church of Christ

If you are visiting with us, we especially want to welcome you. We pray our time together worshipping our Father in heaven will be uplifting and encouraging. You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning.

Bible classes begin at 9:30 and are available for all ages. Babies can be taken to the nursery located at the back of the auditorium. Pre-school and elementary-age children meet in classrooms downstairs. Teens meet in the teen room at the back of the auditorium. The adult class meets in the fellowship room.

Our Community Groups meet every Sunday throughout the year, except for the last Sunday of each month. The last Sunday of each month, we will meet at 6:00 p.m. for a time of praise and fellowship.

A weekly web-cast of our Sunday morning worship services is available by following these instructions:

<http://wcfamily.viewnetcam.com>
 Username: wcfamily
 Password: 6302312062
 Click "SINGLE" tab
 Allow any Active X controls

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our Elders:

Don Brewster	Jay Hearn
Chuck Miller	Rick Root

Our Deacons are:

John Day	Brian Gifford
Jon Miller	Curt Robinson

Sunday Morning Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Evening (last Sunday of each month) . . . 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Evening Bible Class 7:00 p.m.



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This Morning ...

Please take a moment this morning to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest. Prayer cards are also available in the pew rack. You may choose to have prayers by the elders, a prayer warrior or by the whole church family. If you choose "whole church family" it will be announced following the sermon.

Worship Order

Welcome, Announcements, Birthdays *Curt Robinson*
 Kids Connection *Brian Gifford*
 Praise Songs *Tim Boyd*

#	<i>We Shall Assemble</i>
#749	<i>The Battle Belongs to the Lord</i>
#484	<i>You are My All in All</i>
#	<i>More Like You</i>
#	<i>How Deep the Father's Love for us</i>

Communion Message *Alec Boyd*
 Prayers, Pass Emblems & Collection
 Sermon *Chuck Miller*

#	<i>Break My Heart</i>
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Prayer Cards *Bob Voigts*

#	<i>Father, Please</i>
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 13 Bonnie Bingham
 May 13 Don & Pat Brewster (anv.)
 May 15 Al Dorsey, Dan Vantreesee
 May 18 Jeff & Kelly Ieler (anv.)

Dates to Remember

TODAY Happy Mother's Day
 May 13 . . Living Room Café/Teen Parent Connection
 May 14 Tuesday Ladies Work Day
 May 15 Seniors Breakfast
 May 15 Sinners Anonymous
 May 15 Wednesday Bible Class
 May 17 Mens Prayer & Pancakes
 May 18 RCC Work Day
 May 19 Community Groups
 May 20 Teen Parent Connection (last session)
 May 24-27 RCC Memorial Day Teen Retreat
 June 17-21 Vacation Bible School
 June 21-23 RCC Young Adult Retreat

Records You Helped Make

Sunday Morning Bible Class 44
 Sunday Morning Worship 72
 Contribution \$3,098.77

Nursery Workers Betsy Jett, Shelby Root
 Collection Counters Mike Henkel, Paul Mullins

In Our Prayers...

Betsy, Bob Voigts's supervisor, has breast cancer. She is having a difficult time with her treatments.

Al Dorsey is in a rehab facility in St. Charles.

Betty Frazier, Linda Vantreesse's friend, is suffering with several health issues and some depression.

Kathy, Dana Howard's friend, has cancer. **Kathy Mandas, Dana's co-worker**, is going through therapy for her knee which was injured when she fell. Continue to pray for **Sylvia Atten, Waseem James, her aunt, Pat Johnson and her parents**.

Cory Malloy, Marion & Pat Lake's nephew, was killed in a motorcycle accident this week. He is Darlene's oldest son. His wife is Erin and they have two children.

Joan Mullins, Paul's mother, is struggling with lack of energy. She's had several tests done and is waiting for results. His father is retiring as an elder from their church in Arizona.

Henry Phillips, the minister from the Rockford Church of Christ, continues to suffer with several health issues. He is undergoing therapy which takes quite a lot of time throughout the week, which is difficult with his family and job responsibilities. He is the son-in-law of former members and deacon, Sid & Sherry Fryer.

Liz Pritchett, a friend of Joe Voigts, has mouth cancer.

Jackie Robinson had foot surgery recently. She is doing well, but has to stay off that foot for 6-8 weeks.

Billy Steele, the minister at Sally's hometown, is suffering with cellulitis, a staph infection and a blood clot in one of his legs.

Heidi Wesner, the wife of the vice president of Service Company, is recuperating from meningitis.

Those suffering with long-term issues:

Herman Aultman – Bobbie Whitman's brother

Paul & Judy Bertrand – Lynette Root's parents

Nancy Brewster

Pat Brewster

Bob & Phyllis Cissne – Cindy Drumheller's parents

John Day

Doug Dorsey – Al's son

Brad Fowler – Joan Lockett's nephew

Josephine Haggerton

Lauren Helton – Josephine Haggerton's nephew

Kathy Huml – John Pedersen's sister

Mason Hutchins – friend of Alec Boyd & Rourke Mullins

Sue Lake – Marion's sister-in-law

John Mark Lango, son of former members Keith & Kim

Debbie Lawrence – Bobbie Whitman's niece

Don Lemley

Jack Lockett – father of Charlie, Mike, Julie Chavez,

Shelley Prosser, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen

Mike Lockett – Joan's son

Nadine McCormick

Josh Otte – Chris Czernik's nephew

& the son of Marion Lake's cousin

Scott Robinson – Curt's brother

Kay Schrader

Phyllis Sitler

Rose Stirrup – Kelly Ieler's mother

Bruce Snyder & Cindy Stewart – Bob Voigts' cousins

Jim Whitman

Moms-to-be:

Fred & Elizabeth Dock – Dana Howard's niece

Sarah Rentschler – Sally Hearn's niece

Sarah Tincher – Twins!

Katie Weishaar – Sally Hearn's niece

Armed forces:

Josh Aultman – Bobbie Whitman's grand-nephew,

Ryan Gleason – Dana Howard's nephew, staying in U.S.

Kristen Hauser – a friend of the Avey's, Afghanistan

Jacob Headtko – U.S. Marines, RCC alumni

Joey Wertz – the friend of Lynette Root's friend, Iraq

Jonathon Young – a Warrant Officer in the army

Missions:

City of Children – Ensenada, Mexico

Obadiah Doka – Nigeria

Living Room Café – Chicago

Mission Lazarus – Honduras & Haiti

Shults-Lewis – the teens, their families, the workers

Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt – Taiwan

Teen Parent Connection - West Chicago

Joe & Allison Voigts – Korea

Students of Joe Voigts – China

Ayodele Waleola – Nigeria

Vacation Bible School!

6:30-8:30 p.m.

June 17-21

It's a Blue Ribbon Life

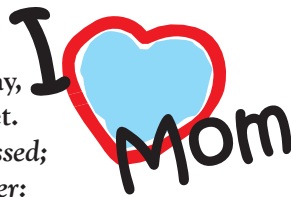
Age 4 through Grade 6

A Study of the Fruit of the Spirit

Today

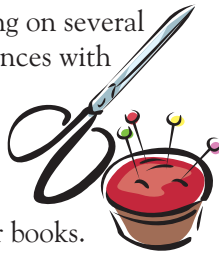
Since it is Mother's Day today, Community Groups will not meet. Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:

Proverbs 31:28



Tuesday Ladies Class

This Tuesday, May 14, the Ladies Class will meet from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. to begin working on several sewing projects and VBS projects. See Frances with questions regarding the sewing projects. Bring a salad to share for lunch, drinks and dessert will be provided.



Next fall we will continue our study of the book of Psalms with Lesson 7 in our books. Pat challenges us to read the entire Psalms over the summer. If you read five Psalms a day you will finish the book in a month, so technically you should be able to get through the Psalms three times over the summer.

Directories

Directories are ready and available in the foyer, as well as, laminated phone lists. If you would like the directory in an electronic version, contact Sally.

Congratulations!

Please join us as we Celebrate Alec's Graduation and Say, "So Long"



Before our move to Huntsville over the summer, we would like to take time to gather with our friends to celebrate Alec's high school graduation and to say goodbye to our Illinois friends who have meant so much to us.

When? Saturday, June 1, 2013

Noon - 5 p.m.

Where? Big Woods Park Pavilion
(At the end of Chillem Drive in Batavia)

Maps available

Come ready to eat and play!

(tennis, basketball, playground, Frisbee and more!)

Hope to see you there!

Tim and Sandy Boyd



Harding's Chicago Cubs Event! This Tuesday, May 14, Harding University is hosting their annual Cubs Game and Pizza Dinner. Dinner is at 5:45 p.m. in Addison and the game is at 7:05 p.m. at Wrigley Field. Let Brian Gifford or Jon Miller know if you plan to go. We will leave from the church building at 4:00 p.m.

Rockford Christian Camp sessions are quickly approaching – yippee! **Be sure to check the website, www.rockfordchristiancamp.org for important and new registration information.** Mark the following dates on your calendar. Please note that the grade listed is the "Last Grade Completed." ALSO, dates published previously were wrong. These are correct!

May 24-27 Memorial Day Retreat (Grade 7-12)
(postmark or e-mail by Friday, 5/10)

June 21-23 Young Adult Retreat (Post H.S. to 35)

July 12-20 Senior Week (Grade 9-12) starts Friday

July 20-27 Intermediate Week (Grade 6-8)

July 27-Aug 3 Junior Week (Grade 2-5)

Aug 30-Sept 2 Labor Day Retreat (Grade 7-12)

RCC Work Day

A Rockford Christian Camp work day is scheduled for this Saturday, May 18. Work starts at 8:00 a.m. For specifics see Chuck or Don. *Teens are especially welcome!*

Happy Anniversary

Cindy Drumheller's parents, Robert & Phyllis Cissne, are celebrating their 70th Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday, May 22. Unfortunately they are in separate care centers. We thought it would be wonderful to throw them a Card Shower. And, since they have separate addresses they should each receive a card.

Robert Cissne, Room D 205
NCSVH - Black Mountain
62 Lake Eden Road
Black Mountain, NC 28711

Phyllis Cissne
Asheville Manor - #18130
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