



# Family

## West Chicago Church of Christ

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## A Preacher's Perspective

**P**ower is God's special provenance. What impresses us and puts us in a state of intimidation is nothing to Him. As technology grows in its appreciation of the cosmic forces which sustain and operate the universe, we are better able than ever before to measure and describe the power which surround us. But still, we do not begin to fathom the power of a God who simply speaks worlds into existence and calls forth light by His word.

Scripture has many expressions of God's amazing power. Isaiah describes God in this way: "Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales; he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust.

Lebanon is not sufficient for altar fires, nor its animals enough for burnt offerings.

Before him all the nations are as nothing; they are regarded by him as worthless and less than nothing." **Isaiah 40:15-17**

Think about that. Nations are like dust on the scale to God. They just don't even register enough to count in God's purposes and plans. We are very impressed with our empires. God is not.

Another section of this great chapter reminds us of God's control over the cosmos: "Lift your eyes and

look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing." **Isaiah 40:26**

One of the great passages putting us in perspective is that section of the book of **Job** where God finally speaks and asks Job a series of questions which demonstrate that men like us, and like Job, just don't have the ability to understand God's creator-worldview.

He sets the stage for the "discussion" with this: "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand.

Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it?

On what were its footings set, or

who laid its cornerstone-while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?" **Job 38:4-7**

In times of stress and crisis, in times of national unrest, when economies and markets seem shaken, it is important to keep our perspective and to remember that the God we serve, with Whom we have to do, is enthroned in might unimaginable. He is eternal and unassailable. He clothes the grass of the field, He provides for each sparrow, and we are the delight of His heart. We just don't have the vocabulary to question Him.

Be calm and secure in His care.

*Chuck Miller*

**HE MAKES THE DEPTHS CHURN LIKE A BOILING CALDRON AND STIRS UP THE SEA LIKE A POT OF OINTMENT. BEHIND HIM HE LEAVES A GLISTENING WAKE; ONE WOULD THINK THE DEEP HAD WHITE HAIR. JOB 41:31-32**



# 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.

Bible classes 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 fellowship room downstairs. Adult classes meet in the auditorium and at the end of the foyer.

Our Small Group Fellowship program takes place during the fall, winter and spring months and is on the first and third Sundays of each month in lieu of the Sunday evening worship. The Small Group Fellowship schedule does change occasionally due to holidays.

You are an honored guest and we want to thank you for being a part of our worship this morning!

Sunday Morning Bible Class . . . . . 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 10:30 a.m.

(The Sunday Morning Worship is interpreted for the deaf.)

Sunday Evening Worship . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of our elders.

**Elders:**

Don Brewster  
Chuck Miller

Bob Jett  
Bob Voigts

**Deacons:**

**Justin Avey:** Benevolence, Fellowship, Stewardship & Leadership

**Jay Hearn:** Worship & Pulpit, Communications, Outreach, Education, Benevolence

**Cliff Plummer:** Fellowship, Benevolence, Education

**Curt Robinson:** Education, Stewardship & Leadership

**Rick Root:** Communications, Education, Stewardship & Leadership

**Paul Stirrup:** Stewardship & Leadership, Benevolence



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## This Morning...

Please take a moment this morning to fill out an attendance card, especially if you are a guest. Please pass them to the aisle to be picked up before the sermon. 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.

### Order of Worship

- Welcome . . . . . Chuck Miller
- Singing . . . . . Jay Hearn
  - #76 How Great Thou Art
  - #126 The Lord My Shepherd Is
- Welcome & Scripture . . . . . Paul Mullins
  - #793 There's a Garden
  - #796 Precious Lord Take My Hand
- Prayer . . . . . Curt Robinson
  - #342 We Saw Thee Not
- Lord's Supper . . . . . Dewayne Smith
- Contribution and Prayer Card Collection
- Sermon . . . . . Chuck Miller
  - #922 Jesus Paid it All
- Prayer Card Responses and Prayer . . . . . Bob Voigts
- Announcements . . . . . Paul Mullins
  - #39 Awesome Power
- Closing Prayer . . . . . Dan Vantrees

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

- August 10 . . . . . A.J. Deitrick
- August 11 . . . . . Cole Livermore
- August 15 . . . . . Wendell Mott, Maria Zeisler
- August 15 . . . . . Bob & Betsy Jett (anv.)

## Dates to Remember

- August 7-10 . . . . . RCC Young Adult Retreat
- August 8 . . . . . Elder/Deacon Meeting
- August 10-14 . . . . . Green Lake Family Encampment
- August 12 . . . . . Up & Out
- August 19 . . . . . Seniors Breakfast, . . . . . Living Room Café, Up & Out
- August 26 . . . . . Living Room Café, Up & Out
- August 20 . . . . . Teen "Newbie Day"

## Records You Helped Make

- Sunday Morning Worship . . . . . 143
- Contribution . . . . . \$4,706.75

## Nursery Workers

Sandy Boyd, Becky Pedersen



## Collection Counters

Jeff Ieler, Rick Root



## In Our Prayers...

**Zelma York**, a former member, passed away last weekend. She had suffered falls which caused a brain hemorrhage. She was interred near Murray, KY. Our prayers are with Bob, Betty and Michael.

Several of our members and their family and friends are suffering with job issues.

**Herman Aultman, Bobbie Whitman's brother**, had surgery this week to remove a benign mass and part of his colon. He is doing very well and will have a kidney transplant when he recuperates.

**Joyce Eakins** had tests this week.

**Chester Sitler** is going through tests and may have to have dialysis.

**Jim Whitman** had tests and they found a blockage in a vein going to his lung. He is scheduled for more tests and will see a cardiologist.

### Those suffering with long-term issues:

Justin Avey

Paul & Judy Bertrand - Lynette Root's parents

Lisa Beverly - Sandy Boyd's sister has MS

Bonnie Bingham

Jim Brannon - Pat Brewster's brother-in-law

Don & Pat Brewster

Nancy Brewster

Jim & Julie Chavez

Gail Cole - Lori Plummer's mother

John Day

Lisa DeVaney - Marie Hayes's daughter

Al Dorsey & his son, Doug

Chad Englebach - Marie Hayes' grandson

Sarah Hayden - Maria Zeisler's relative

Marie Hayes

Mary Henkel - Mike's mother

Kathy Huml - John Pedersen's sister

Sandy Jones - Marie Hayes's daughter

Joe and Sky Kuhnle - Chuck & Bobby's foster son and granddaughter

Debbie Lawrence - Bobbie Whitman's niece

Anne Librande - Joanne Johnson's mother

Jack Lockett - father of Charlie, Mike, Shelley Prosser,

Julie Chavez, Missy Kissane, & Becky Pedersen

Mike Lockett - Joan's son

Danielle Nichols - Alyssa Milam's cousin

Josh Otte - Chris Czernik's nephew and the son of Marion Lake's cousin

Doug Peterson

Pat Ronzheimer

Stacey Schnaitman - daughter of Bev Scalone, the Johnson's neighbor

Kay Schrader

Chester & Phyllis Sitler

Bruce Snyder and Cindy Stewart - Bob Voigts cousin

Barb Tincher - Jake's mother

### Mothers-to-be:

Lauren Avey - Justin & Joan's daughter-in-law

Lizz Bartalone - Doris Biancalana's daughter

Bridgette Fordyce - former member

### Armed forces:

Ryan Gleason - Dana Howard's nephew

Mike Hagan - Doris Biancalana's nephew in Baghdad

Jacob Headtke - U.S. Marines, RCC alumni

Shane - the son of LeAnn Sexton, a friend of Lori Plummer

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

### Missionaries:

Jarrold, Allison, Soledad & Levi Brown -

Honduras (especially the adoption of Soledad)

Students of Joe Voigts - China

City of Children - Ensenada, Mexico

Obadiah Doka & Family - Nigeria

Blake Mullins - Honduras

Makinde Olufemi - Nigeria

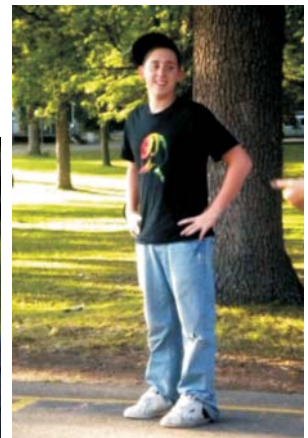
Ayodele Waleola - Nigeria

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

Enoch & Jeannine Thweatt - Taiwan



# RCC 2009



# youth & family news

## Magi Boxes

A Magi Box is a simple shoe box, wrapped in Christmas wrapping and packed with toys, hygiene supplies, and clothing. Through Healing Hands International, members of the Churches of Christ distribute these boxes to children in poverty stricken countries. The boxes we prepare are shipped to Mission Lazarus in Honduras.

1. **Buy** age and gender appropriate items worth \$20-25 for a boy or girl following these age brackets: Baby-2 years, 3-6 years, 7-10 years, 11-14 years. A list of suggested gift items will be available soon.
2. **Wrap** a shoe box with Christmas wrapping. Wrap the lid separate from the bottom so it can be opened easily by customs officers. Plastic shoe boxes can be used and make a great storage container for the child.
3. **Place** items in the box along with \$7 to cover the cost of shipping from Nashville to Honduras.
4. **Cover** the box with the lid and wrap with a rubber band to keep the lid and bottom together.
5. **Complete** a boy/girl label and tape it onto the end of the box.

You may make a monetary donation for boxes to be prepared or for shipping expenses. The deadline is the beginning of October. If you have questions or would like to make a donation see Jay or Sally Hearn.

Our church building is a collection site for this area. Your place of employment, extended family or friends from other churches can put together Magi Boxes. Healing Hands will bring a truck up the beginning of October to collect the boxes.

**TEENS:** We're going to the **Connection Point @ North Park** next Sunday, August 16. Plan to leave from our church building after morning services, and return around 7:00 p.m. You'll need money for lunch.

Mark your calendars for **Newbie Day** on Sunday, August 30th! This will be a full day of activities welcoming our new Youth Group members, A.J. Deitrick, Elizabeth Henkel and Emily Robinson.

**ADULTS & TEENS:** If you can volunteer at "The Living Room Café" tomorrow, please see **Kenn Watson** this morning.



## Up & Out this Wednesday!

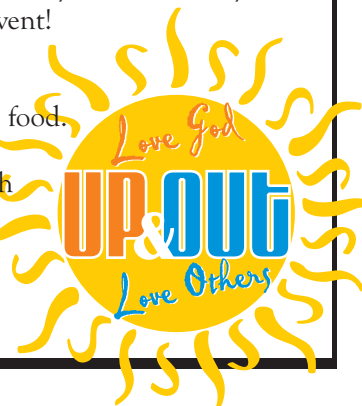
Everyone has been blessed by our time together at Up & Out! **Join us this Wednesday, August 12 for fellowship and fun!**

*Hope to see you there!*

There are two more Wednesdays that need your help and participation. See Cliff if you'd like to help.

- Sign up in the foyer as a family or individually to organize an Up & Out event!
- Sign-up to help with an activity (service project, game, craft, etc.), or with food.
- Cliff and others are available as resources with ideas about skits, games, service projects, etc.

Come and join us each Wednesday night!



## Diapers & Clothing Needed

A family from the community needs baby wipes and diapers, size 5, for two children and pull-ups size 4T/5T or night-time. See Sally if you can help.

Rockford Church of Christ needs clothing, especially for children, for their clothing give-away to be held Saturday, September 5. Donations may be placed in the middle classroom downstairs. Questions? See Sally.



## RCC Sponsorships

We need sponsorships for six youths to go to camp this summer. Camp fees are \$150 per camper. Give your donations to Justin Avey, Don Brewster, Scott Drumheller or Chuck Miller.

## Stirrup Family Bible

A Bible has been purchased to give to the Stirrup family. It is available in the foyer for you to highlight your favorite verses and write your name in the margin. We plan to ship it to them in a couple of weeks.

Stirrup's new address: 1802 Grayson Lakes Boulevard, Katy, Texas 77494.